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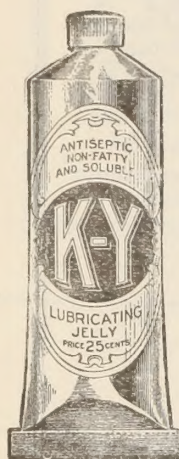
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NOTICES

Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the first Thursday in each month at 8 p. m. in the Library of the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

Meetings of the Alumnæ Association are held on the second Thursday of each month in the Reception Room of the Nurses' Home, 6 West 16th Street, at 3:30 p. m.

The President of the Association desires to call the attention of the Alumnæ Association to the fact that the February Meeting is to be a very important one, at which it is hoped that a large representation of the Alumnæ will be present. The Pension Fund and the Sick Fund are to be discussed and it is hoped that the nurses will come prepared to express themselves with regard to the business matters to be discussed in reference to those subjects.

At the December Meeting of the Alumnæ Association, Miss Duncan gave a thorough report on suggested changes for the administration of the Sick Fund. Particular interest centered about the suggestion for raising the yearly dues from \$5.00 to \$10.00. It appears that the present five dollars a year dues does not provide a sufficient capital to meet the increasing demands that are now made upon it and the Fund is therefore gradually becoming depleted. After much discussion and expression of many opinions, it was decided to table the question until a later meeting. Nurses are urged to give this matter serious thought and be ready to vote upon it when the By-Laws are finally acted upon.

The Committee on By-Laws submits, with this issue, on an enclosed separate sheet a suggested revision of the By-Laws for study and consideration before the February Meeting. Please read and compare these suggested revisions before the meeting when they will be discussed and voted upon.

Miss M. Helen Zachos, a noted parliamentarian, has been secured by and at the expense of the Alumnæ Association to give five lessons in Parliamentary Law. The first of these lessons will be given on Friday the fourteenth of January at eight o'clock in the lecture room of the Training School. All members of the Alumnæ Association are cordially invited to attend. Admission Free.

THE PENSION FUND

The Pension Fund was started about 1912 by contributions from the nurses and the proceeds of a bazaar held in that year. It was intended to establish a fund to pension old or disabled nurses. We expected to raise the large sum required (at least sixty thousand dollars). We have not done so, and it is unlikely that it can be used for a pension by any one living at the present time.

It has been suggested that it be made a Pension and Emergency Fund, the interest being used to meet cases of emergency, and the principal remain untouched until it is large enough to be used as a Pension Fund.

Our present Emergency Fund has done much good, but it is very small and should be extended. We ought not ask help from any other than our own members.

If this is approved at the next meeting of the Alumnæ Association, the plan will be presented to you before the Annual Meeting when you will be asked to vote either for or against it.

I shall be glad to furnish further information to any one interested. In the mean time please give it your earnest consideration.

IRENE H. SUTLIFFE, *Chairman.*

FACTS ABOUT THE SICK FUND

The following facts are not only of interest to the members of the sick fund but also those who are not. You are asked to carefully note them and attend the February meeting and cast your vote for or against the proposed changes in the By-Laws which control the Fund.

The reason for the proposed changes is, that the Fund is not adequate to meet the demand for sick payments and this renders the total membership of the Alumnæ responsible for payments of sick benefit to the few who are members and although not all eligible to benefit, we can be assessed to meet the liability, should the funds in the Treasury become so depleted that such would be necessary.

Proposed changes are as follows:

Section 5 to read: "The yearly dues shall be \$10.00 (instead of \$5.00) payable in January, etc.; current year."

Section 6 to read: "The amount paid a member will be \$10.00 a week for a period not exceeding four weeks, etc. (instead of six weeks).

Section 7, added: "Physical examination is required on application for membership, such examination to be made by a physician appointed by the Board of Trustees, and whose fee will be paid by the Treasurer of the Sick Fund, said fee not to exceed \$1.00.

Section 8, added: "Members desiring benefit shall send application for benefit to the Secretary of the Sick Fund *at the end of the first week's illness*, accompanied by a certificate from her attending physician, stating she is absolutely unable to attend to her work, said certificate to be submitted to, and passed upon by a physician appointed by the Association."

Section 9. Weekly certificates must thereafter be sent to the Secretary until the termination of illness in default of which no further benefit will be paid.

Section 11. Full benefit will not be allowed for two consecutive years. Should chronic conditions develop after admission, special relief may be given through the Emergency Fund.

Section 12. The Secretary will keep a full record of names of beneficiaries with the amounts paid and the dates thereon.

Should the foregoing revisions not meet with the approval of the majority of the Alumnæ, the Committee respectfully suggests that they consider the alternative of dissolving the Sick Fund and merging it with the Emergency Fund, which will administer the Pension Fund just as soon as the latter is legally turned over for emergency cases. This amount is over \$10,000 and will then be used for the benefit of ANY MEMBER of the Alumnæ who may need it.

The salient point to remember in deciding this matter is, WHETHER ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION ARE WILLING TO ASSUME THE LIABILITIES OF THE SICK FUND MEMBERS AND PAY ANY NEEDED ASSESSMENT WHEN THE TREASURY OF THE SICK FUND IS SO DEPLETED AS TO MAKE IT NECESSARY TO SO ASSESS.

If you cannot attend please signify which one of the following two methods you indorse and subscribe to.

1. A revision of the By-Laws as suggested (probably with modification) which *must* carry with it a larger membership in the

Sick Fund and which means YOU SHOULD JOIN IT if you vote to bear the liabilities. Or,

2. Dissolve the Sick Fund and merge this with the Emergency Fund referred to above.

It is imperative that you either send your vote to the Chairman of the Committee on Revision (A. B. Duncan 305 West 45th Street, New York) or be present to cast it in person at the February meeting.

Signed,

MISS MUNN,
MISS BARRETT,
A. B. DUNCAN, *Chairman.*

Committee on Revision of Sick Fund Rules.

THE INSTITUTE FOR INDUSTRIAL NURSES

An Institute for Industrial Nurses, the first of its kind, was held this fall at the New Haven School for Public Health Nursing. Fifty-four registered public health nurses from eight states attended. The varied industries represented and the discussions of the nurses brought out very clearly the fact that, while no fixed rules can be worked out to fit all places, it is possible to state definitely the fundamental principles of industrial nursing.

There were representatives from a University, Mercantile Department, a State Department of Health, Visiting Nurse Associations; Canning, Packing, Chocolate and Soap Industries, Woolen and Cotton Mills, Brass and Iron Foundries, Wire and Paper Mills, Manufacturers of Leather and Rubber Goods, Monument, Type-writer and Corset Works; Roller Bearings, Sportings Goods, Tools and Electrical Appliances; Printing and Oil Plants. The states represented were Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Illinois, Michigan.

The program lasted ten days and included lectures and round tables on Public Health Nursing, Industrial Nursing, Industrial Hygiene, Industrial Diseases, Records, Ethics of Industrial Nursing and Medicine, Industrial Relations, Social Problems, Industrial Psychology, Nutrition, Health Education, as well as Excursions to Manufacturing Plants. Four periods were given over to lectures on Recreation and other methods for counteracting industrial

monotony. Play demonstrations were given and every one joined in folk dancing and simple games.

The nurses were asked to express their opinions as to the most valuable features of this Institute. Some quotations follow:

"It is difficult to say which feature of this Institute has been of the most value, but possibly the discussion of our problems made us feel that we were giving as well as receiving help, although we derived a great deal of good from all lectures."

"The Institute showed me new ways of handling our problems, and the opportunity of meeting so many other nurses in the same line of work was a pleasure indeed."

"I think the most helpful feature of the Institute has been the broadened vision of the possibilities and responsibilities of Industrial Nursing."

Most of the nurses wished for a larger Institute, with more round tables and excursions. Others suggested a shorter period because it would be easier to be relieved of their duties for one week. The desire for an Institute next year was unanimous.

The interest of employers was shown by the fact that many nurses attended at the expense of their firms.

A WARNING

If you stop to find out what your wages will be
And how they will clothe and feed you,
Willie, my boy, don't you go on the Sea,
For the Sea will never need you.

If you ask for the reason for every command,
And argue with people about you,
Willie, my son, don't you go on the land,
For the Land will do better without you.

If you stop to consider the work you have done
And to boast what your labor is worth, dear,
Angels may come for you, Willie, my son,
But you'll never be wanted on earth dear.

—Rudyard Kipling.

MARRIAGES

On October 16th, in New York City, Miss Genevieve R. Glass to Mr. John R. Hoyt. Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt are at home at 132 West 73rd Street, New York City.

On October 27th, Miss Anna S. Keator to Mr. Andrew Frederick Lutz. Mr. and Mrs. Lutz are at home in Roxbury, N. Y.

On November 3rd, Miss Rebecca E. Fortescue to Dr. James A. Clark, in St. Paul's Church. Dr. and Mrs. Clark will make their home at 261 West 22nd Street, New York City.

On November 20th, in Grace Church, New York City, Miss Katherine Wells (Class 1916) to Mr. Harry H. Reeve. Mr. and Mrs. Reeve will continue to live at Greenport, Long Island.

On October 23rd, Miss Winifred Salter to Dr. Louis H. Abel. Dr. and Mrs. Abel are living at 76 Fisher Avenue, White Plains, N. Y.

PERSONAL ITEMS

A Correction—We regret that through an over-sight Mrs. Howard W. Rolston's name was incorrectly spelled in the October News. Mrs. Rolston (Lulu Ryan) was married last July and is at home at 225 South Fremont Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomson (Alice Brodie) a son on November 25th, 1920 at La Deseada, Trinidad, B. W. I.

Sometime during January Ruth Frasius, Viola Kribs and Hope Arnold expect to leave New York for Mexico City where they will be engaged in hospital work.

An embroidered bag made of part of the sleeves of the Armenian costume, given to the Club by Miss Jessup, will be sold for twenty-five cents a number. The bag can be seen at the Club (Room 806) and chances taken at any time.

On October 12th a farewell Tea-Party was given at the Club to the six nurses who were to sail on the S. S. Asia for China to give three years service in the Peking Medical College in Peking, China. Miss Sullivan and Miss Woodward poured, assisted by Miss Sutcliffe and Miss Gillette, and many friends of Miss Tom, Miss Robinson, Miss Grayson, Miss Holland and Miss Dorothy Jacobus and Mrs. Grace Rogers were present to wish them God-

Speed. The decorations were lovely amber dahlias and pink roses, and because the interest and good wishes circulated as freely as the tea it will live in the memories of the stay-at-homes, at least, as a very cheerful party. At the end, each of the nurses sailing was given a pink rose with a tiny Chinese lucky-dog to pin on her coat. Many of their friends went with them to the station to give them a last "Bon Voyage."

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The nurses who went to Peking are very happy there and have met with so much consideration and kindness that they already feel much at home. The hospital is only a small part of the Rockefeller Foundation Plant. It is to have 250 beds, but only the Private Patient Building of eighty beds will be opened by February 1st. The Nurses' Home is wonderfully comfortable and pleasant. It is of gray birch with roof of red tile with Chinese decorations. The nurses' rooms have two windows and are most attractive and comfortable. The food is exceptionally good and there is no "servant question" to worry over as the numerous servants get only a few cents per day.

The Nurses began their studies at the Language School December 1. They have already done much sight seeing, having seen the Ming Tombs and the Great Wall and many other places of interest. There has been very little rain in China for fifteen months and the ground looks most pathetic. Thousands of graves are to be seen in every field near the towns. Peking is not in the famine area but just south of it.

Miss Amy Hill recently of Bath, England, has been staying at the Club on her way to San Diego where she will spend the winter.

Miss Mary Allen has also been a guest at the Club and we are looking for another visit before she goes to Honolulu for the winter.

Miss Dickson has been obliged to give up her very interesting work in the Canton Hospital, Canton, on account of poor health. She considers her two years there very profitable and hopes to continue her work for China here. We hope that on her return she will be able to tell us about training Chinese women for nurses.

Mrs. Joseph Tregear of Detroit has recently become a member of our Association. Will some one please send us her address.

Miss Alice Linton is organizing Public Health Work in the northern part of Ontario. She travels from one township to another establishing a nurse in each. She spent the Christmas Holidays in Montreal. Her permanent address is 316 St. Georges Street, Toronto.

Miss Macdiarmid is bringing sunshine to the Club. We hope her stay will be permanent.

Miss Reutenger has accepted the position of Directress of Nurses at Grasslands Hospital, Valhalla, Westchester County. Our regret at losing her goes with our good wishes for her success. Doctor Chapman is the Medical Director of Grasslands, and Mrs. Dwight has charge of the Social Service.

Miss Lucy Wygant is taking the Public Health course at Simmons College, Boston.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Twiss in her great sorrow.

Sympathy is also extended to Mrs. Alexander Macdougall whose husband has recently died. Mrs. Macdougall will live in Toronto with her twin sons.

Mrs. Essen Reid is visiting her sister Miss Duncan.

Mrs. Maitland, in sending notice of her change of address sends to her many friends the greetings she wishes might be spoken to them personally, and speaks of her pleasure in hearing of them and of the hospital, as she does indirectly through the columns of the News. Probably very few of us who are still constantly in touch with our friends among the Alumnae, and to whom the Hospital corridors and the Club rooms are old familiar stories realize what it may mean to hear even a prosaic bit of news—to say nothing of a wedding or an engagement, when one is far away and without the expectation of being more closely in touch with surroundings once familiar and full of interest. Surely, if we did realize this it would not seem such a task to send to the News's Personal Column some few of the scraps of information which would be of real interest to old friends. Mrs. Maitland's mail should now be sent in care of Dr. Maitland, 39 Duke Street, Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I.

Miss Mary Vroom's many friends will be interested to know that she has accepted the position of Superintendent of the Training

School of St. John's Hospital, the Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, and that she began her new duties there on November 3rd.

Miss Louise Parsons, Class of 1913, having resigned her position as Instructor in the Army School of Nursing has taken up her work as Instructor of the United Hospital Training School in Portchester, New York.

Miss Bellinger and Miss Jane Hodson are again at the Club for an indefinite stay, and Miss S. J. MacKenzie has returned and is again doing private duty.

During the holiday week between Christmas and New Year's Day a series of delightful informal teas were held in the Library of the Club. Each day many nurses came in for a chat and a cup of tea and found pleasure and stimulation in the unwontedly holiday aspect of the occasion.

EXCHANGES—ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL

Miss Helen Stevens, '19, and Dr. Abbott were married in Atlantic City, October 5th.

Miss Beatrice Day was married to Mr. C. A. Simonds on Wednesday, October 6th, at New Rochelle, N. Y.

Miss Sylvia H. Marshall was married to Mr. J. G. Malcolm on Tuesday, October 12th, at her home in Hamilton, Canada.

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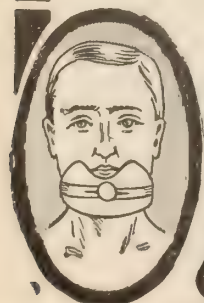
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NOTICES

Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the first Thursday in each month at 8 p. m. in the Library of the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

The April Meeting of the Alumnae Association being the Annual Meeting, is to be held this year on Thursday, April fourteenth, in the Reception Room of the Nurses' Home, 6 West 16th Street, at 3.30 P. M.

Following the Annual Meeting, the regular meetings of the Alumnae Association will be held on the second Thursday of each month at 8 P. M. at the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

During the summer months of July, August and September, the regular meetings of the Alumnae Association will be omitted, according to custom.

The Treasurer of the Association desires to call the attention of the members of the Alumnae Association to the following notice:

The dues for members residing in District 13, or the Counties of New York, Bronx, Westchester and Richmond will be \$3.00. For all members residing outside of these counties \$2.00. Will the members kindly **not** send bills in a letter to the Treasurer. Please send CHECK, MONEY ORDER or REGISTERED LETTER.

A NOTICE FROM THE RED CROSS

Since the signing of the Armistice, there seems to be a feeling on the part of the nurses that the Red Cross Nursing Service is no longer in need of enrollments and that its work is over. This is far from being the case. Nurses were enrolled in the Red Cross long before the war, and we hope that they may continue to enroll for many years to come.

That there is no probability for immediate call does not lessen the importance of having a strong corps of nurses ready should any such call come. There is always the chance of disaster or emergency of various kinds and the first call is always to the Red Cross. Usually the first members of the Red Cross needed are the nurses. There is work to be done in the public health field; there is work to be done in the classes. There is

need for enrollment, even though there is no immediate opportunity for you to serve. We want your membership. We want your help.

I feel that many times the reason for not enrolling is simply a matter of ignorance on the part of the nurse as to where she can get information or applications. In each Alumnae Association there is a Red Cross committee, the chairman of which has information and application blanks. Miss C. B. Hay, 40 Grace Court, Brooklyn, New York, is the Chairman of the Red Cross Committee of the New York Hospital Association. She will always be glad to confer with you or, if it is more convenient for you, the Division Office is at your service and I am never too busy to welcome any one of the nurses who care to call.

Hoping for a greatly increased membership in the Atlantic Division, I am

Yours sincerely,

FLORENCE M. JOHNSON,

Chairman Red Cross Committee, 13th District

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Association took place in the Lecture Room of the Training School, being called to order by the President, Miss Cromwell at 3.30 P. M.

The Minutes of the previous meetings, and the reports of the various Standing Committees were read and accepted.

The Credential Committee reported as follows: The name of Mrs. L. C. Wood was proposed and approved. Miss Jordan proposed the names of Miss M. Acton, Miss Ryan, Miss E. Jones, Mrs. Avery, and Miss Bosquett as being members of the Graduating Class who will leave the school before the April Meeting. On her recommendation it was voted to accept them to membership with the understanding that their names be presented to the Credential Committee on the usual forms.

The Nominating Committee presented the Ballot for the coming officers for the coming year.

The resolution upon the death of Miss Florence Swift Wright of the Class of 1902 was presented by the Committee

appointed for this purpose, and it was moved and seconded that the resolution be spread upon the minutes of the meeting as a copy had already been sent to Mr. H. S. Wright of Ithaca, N. Y.

A communication was read from the Treasurer containing the names of fifty-nine members who had failed to pay their dues for the year of 1920; as each of these members had been notified of their delinquency, it was moved, seconded and carried that a notification should be sent to each calling attention to Article 1; Section 7 of the By-Laws; and stating that anyone whose dues remained unpaid at the time of the April Meeting would forfeit their membership in the Association.

Miss Jouffret moved that Miss Sutcliffe be delegated to select and purchase a suitable book and send it with the affectionate greetings of the Association to Miss Elizabeth Blott, Gasport, N. Y., who has so long been invalided. She also moved that the Secretary be directed to write a letter to Miss Blott in the name of the Association. Seconded and carried.

Miss Benz called attention to a "Silent Drive" for \$400,000, that is being undertaken by the Y. W. C. A., and she asked the sympathy of the Association. She was delegated a Committee of one to accept any funds that might be contributed to this purpose, and forward same to the proper person.

Miss Benz also urged that the New York Hospital Association take some active part in sympathy with the proposed new Club House for Nurses. Miss Florence Johnson spoke to this, saying that this Association, by reason of its experience in Club House matters, ought to have help to give in the way of advice and caution and she earnestly hoped that it would not remain aloof from taking active part in this effort to make comfortable housing quarters for nurses. Miss Johnson further suggested that Miss Elizabeth Golding be asked to represent this Association in all matters pertaining to this proposed Club House for Nurses. Seconded and carried.

The Sick Fund discussion was introduced by a reading of extracts concerning the Sick Fund and the Pension Fund from the January issue of the Alumnae News. There was much lively discussion upon all the points. After all of the pros and cons had been thoroughly considered in the limelight the following motion was made by Miss Duncan.

"Moved that the Sick Fund be separated entirely as one of the Alumnae Associations' Activities, but if the members of the Sick Fund desire to continue it as such, they do so, having

no financial lien on the Association as a whole, making their own rules and regulations governing the Sick Fund, and appointing their own Board of Control."

This motion was seconded by Miss Jouffret and carried by 24 yeas and 5 nays.

Miss Duncan further moved that: "The Secretary-Treasurer of the Sick Fund notify each member of the Sick Fund of the action of the Alumnae on this question and call a meeting of its members to formulate plans and rules and elect a Board of Control." Carried.

Miss Jouffret moved that "the interest of the Pension Fund be used in the Emergency Fund as long as necessary." Seconded and Carried.

The report of the By-Laws Committee upon certain changes in the By-Laws that became necessary to accord with the reorganization of the American Nurses' Association, the New York State Nurses' Association and District 13 were taken up item by item and voted upon, and it was moved that the Chairman of the By-Laws Committee be empowered to have 1,000 copies of the new By-Laws printed in pamphlet form for distribution to members of the Association. In order to curtail expense it was suggested that the blue cover be omitted. Seconded and carried.

It was moved by Miss Jouffret that after the Annual Meeting of this year the meetings be conducted at 8 P. M. Seconded by Miss Duncan. Carried.

The business of the meeting having been accomplished, the members adjourned to the enjoyment of the usual refreshments.

COMMENCEMENT AT THE HOSPITAL

A large number of the members and friends of the Institution witnessed the Graduation Exercises which were held at the New York Hospital on Wednesday evening, March second.

Very beautiful, and fitting the occasion, were the decorations in the Governors' Room where the palms and pink roses made a charming background for the thirty-six young nurses as they entered single file, followed by Miss Jordan and her assistants.

After the Invocation and Prayer Mr. Wickersham, former Attorney General of the United States, introduced by Mr. Shel-

don, addressed the assembly in an impressive speech. Hearty congratulations were extended to the class upon reaching the goal, the advantages of the profession in its great service to mankind dwelt upon, and instances recalled from the lives of Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell, the Martyr Nurse. The splendid record of the nurses during the past war, when each stood her ground, was remarked and a parallel drawn between it and each individual case of illness which constitutes a battleground with the alternatives of victory or defeat.

Mr. Sheldon wished the class Godspeed. The year 1921 is a memorable one as in it falls the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the New York Hospital, the oldest hospital in the State and the second oldest in the country.

The diplomas and badges were awarded with the solemn reminder that acceptance constituted promise to maintain the high standards set by the Institution and its Alumnae, and that failure in such meant return of the badge.

After the Blessing the badges were pinned to each kerchief by Miss Jordan with words of congratulation which were responded to with heartfelt appreciation of her faithful guidance, untiring efforts and devotion.

As in former years, supper was served in the Nurses' Dining Room and the occasion was closed with a dance in the Reception Room, beautifully decorated with palms and a wealth of blossoms.

Our good wishes go with the Class of 1921. May it prove in task and spirit the banner class of the New York Hospital Training School for Nurses.

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Florence Elizabeth Munn
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Helen Elizabeth Sayre
Catherine Sherrill
Nellie Taylor
Kathleen Marie Woods

"Humor takes the salt from tears, the bitterness from judgment and the keenness from despair."—LOCKE.

FOR THE GRADUATING CLASS

This year, instead of the usual Reception and Tea always given for the Graduating Class by the Alumnae Association, a more informal party was given in the Club Reception Room on the evening of February 23rd, when a large number of the Alumnae were present and happy to greet their new friends and future members, presented by Miss Jordan, and welcomed by Miss Sutcliffe.

Miss Goodrich, introduced by Miss Anderson, spoke to the class as a whole, reviewing in a few pungent anecdotes her viewpoint as a graduate many years ago and recalling to the minds of some of her classmates who were present, their state of mind after the examinations and exercises of their day and the path over which they, as members of the Nursing profession, had travelled to the point where they were to be joined by the Class of 1921. While the limitations of the earlier day were no longer their limitations she outlined a vision of the scope of the profession in the future—not merely the alleviation of the ravages of disease, but its annihilation by education along the lines of prevention. The part to be taken in this long campaign by the nursing profession is even yet only glimpsed but can be carried on only as fast as nurses themselves realize their need to become a learned profession in order to further the work. She urged upon them the need of continuing their studies, and maintaining an open mind with regard to progressive measures, reviewing, as illustration, the changes which had come about in the years since she graduated and the hopes cherished by open minded women among the profession for still greater change.

Afterward, ices and cakes and fruit punch were served in the Library and there was much pleasant interchange of greetings and introductions.

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By head ith achig subthig fierce,
By dose ith ruddig too,
Udleth by cold will thood ged well
I dote do what I'll do.

I thdeethe ad thdeethe till I bost die
The tears rud dowl by face,
I thig the way thad I catch cold
Ith bore thad a dithgrathe.

MARRIAGES

In December, 1920, Miss Lillian L. Groo to Mr. Arthur Wittbrodt. At home at 251 East Hills, Prescott, Arizona.

On February 5th, in Avening, Ontario, Canada, Miss Luella MacMillan, Class 1910, to Mr. John Kay Murray. At home after March fifteenth.

On February 6th, in Vancouver, British Columbia, Miss Annie May Shaneman, to Mr. Edwin Herbert Ellis. At home after March 1st at Buttonwillow, California.

On February 12th, in Grace Church Chantry, New York City, Miss Louise Lizette Starke, Class 1913, to Mr. Russell Vincent.

On February 22nd, Miss Mary Rutland, Class 1915, to Mr. Theodore Martin Casterline. Mr. and Mrs. Casterline are living at North River, New York.

PERSONALS

Miss Dorothy Felt and Miss Anne Hildred have returned to New York City to do private nursing. They have been nursing at Clifton Springs, New York, since their graduation.

Miss M. M. Fauquer, who has been in the South with the Rockefeller Commission investigating Pellagra has also returned to New York and expects to do private nursing.

Mrs. C. W. Schenk who is spending the winter in Augusta, Georgia, writes of her very exciting experience on the night of February 4th, when at 2 A. M. the beautiful Bon Air Hotel went up in flames. She was but one block from it at the Hermitage Inn where everyone was dressed and packed expecting at any moment to be obliged to leave. Fortunately the fire was controlled and did not spread beyond the Hotel but a very anxious night was spent by all.

Mrs. Henry Johnston (Olive Castano, Class 1917) has resigned her position in the Medical Department of the Federal

Reserve Bank of New York and has gone to join her husband who is a U. S. Navy Surgeon stationed at present in Porto Rico. Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. Johnston in the loss of her mother, whose death occurred a short time before she left.

The Federal Reserve Bank has several members of the New York Hospital on its Medical Staff. Dr. Mary Crawford, who was at one time an anesthetist at the N. Y. H., is in charge of the Medical work with two assistant physicians on alternate days. Miss Helen Michell, Class 1917, has been on the Staff for about a year and Mrs. Shurtleff, also 1917, since last fall, doing Medical and Welfare work.

Miss Anna Stanton, Class 1913, has been away from active service at the Federal Reserve Bank and is at present at New Canaan, Conn., on an extended leave of absence because of ill health.

Miss Jane D. Coleman writes from Pasadena of her surprise in finding that the New York Hospital is well known and—so she barely hints—“very highly thought of by every one” because of the nurses who have been working out there. She speaks of meeting Miss Abigail Grant who was “specialling” a patient in the same hospital and of hearing, at odd intervals of other friends among the Alumnae. Miss Coleman expects to return to the East shortly.

Mrs. William Dobbin, of 89 Henry Street, Brooklyn, New York, whom we remember affectionately as Miss Lydia Blanche Smith, of the Babies' Ward, N. Y. H., has been spending a little time at the Club while Commander Dobbin was ill at the hospital with an attack of bronchitis.

Miss Gillette enjoyed a short rest and vacation in Atlantic City during March, but is now back at the Club.

Miss Eleanor McNamara is Supervising Institutional Inspector of Public Welfare, New York City.

Miss Belle Earle is in the American Women's Hospital in Shumitza, Serbia. The following is an extract of a letter to her cousin: “Shumitza is very primitive—our Jamaica seems a hundred years ahead of it. We were thirty hours coming from Belgrade by train besides having a night's stop, and were nearly eaten by fleas and bugs—in a first class carriage, too! We are now in a hospital of forty beds, with one doctor, two nurses, two orderlies and four Serbian girls taking care of the patients. The clinic is very busy—about two hundred patients, and the doctor takes the medical work and I do the surgical. The doctor (a woman) is a good surgeon and operates every day. My associate nurse has charge of the operating room and I have blossomed out into an anesthetist! We not only have charge of the nursing but manage the servants and run our own home. We have been able to teach one of the maids to cook so feel that our home is quite comfortable—or would be, minus the bugs and fleas! This whole country is given up to farming but there is no butter and little milk to be had. The land is

These women

gorgeous brocade robes and elaborate head dresses. For five nights we have been kept awake by fireworks. It does seem wicked that thousands are spent so in this famine stricken land. There are many homes for Refugee Children here and thousands of families are being helped. Though we see nothing directly of this work we hear almost unbelievable stories. Money is always being raised and only last week three thousand dollars were raised here in the school—considering the fact that most of the students are missionaries, I think that is doing very well.

One day we motored out to the Summer Palace and the Jade Fountain at the foot of the Western Hills where the view is glorious. Another day we saw the sights of the city. The stores were beautifully decorated with Chinese lanterns and with dwarf cherry, plum and peach trees—all in bloom, and with lovely pink peonies. The peony is the national flower. We also took a trip to the Forbidden City and visited the museums and palaces. The treasures in the Museum are priceless—the most wonderful bronzes and porcelains. None of us are the least homesick for we love it here but you are always in our thoughts."

We are indeed grieved to hear of the death of the little daughter of Mrs. Schuyler Brown (Miss Blanche Gibson) and extend to Mrs. Brown our heartfelt sympathy.

Our loving sympathy is also extended to Miss Jouffret and Mrs. Hills who have recently lost their mother.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

The attention of the readers of the "News" is called to two points which have already been spoken of in these columns but which an outgoing editor desires to bring to mind before a new editor begins the work of "getting out the News."

First, the "News" would be infinitely more worth reading if more "personals" appeared in it. When one considers the thrill of surprise and pleasure which comes on encountering one's name in print—a pleasure experienced by more blasé people than are to be found in our Alumnae Association, it is a puzzle why more do not avail themselves of this innocent diversion offered to them—yes, urged upon them as a duty, by contributions to the "News." Considerable postage has been wasted and even more time in attempting to collect "personals," and various reasons have been given why the material has not been forthcoming, but the one most generally employed is lack of time to set down the items as they are heard and send them in. This is a very good reason and one which gains considerable sympathy, but it is a fact that the very busiest people are able to think often of their friends and are usually willing to do a great deal for them. Now, the Personal Column offers you a way to contribute to the interest and pleasure of many of your friends by sending in to the editor that scrap of news you know—about a change of work, a visit, an old friend seen again after many years, an interesting letter received from another member, a journey, somebody's new baby, etc. Won't you please

try to remember your friends who might enjoy this bit of news in the "Alumnae News" if you would only take the few minutes necessary to mail it to the editor?

The second point is this: We should have more contributions to the advertising columns which are much curtailed in this issue. The size of the publication has been considerably reduced with the idea of retrenchment and our old familiar blue cover is a thing of the past. The publications of other Alumnae Associations which are sent to us—notably the St. Luke's Bulletin and the Buffalo General Alumnae Record, contain many advertisements, all of which help to reduce the cost of their paper. If our members would co-operate with the Business Manager in securing advertisements it would be a most practical way of showing their appreciation and interest for the "Alumnae News."

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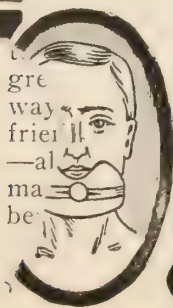
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The Treasurer of the Association desires to call the attention of the members of the Alumnae Association again to the following notice:

The dues for 1921 were payable in April. Will all those who have not paid please do so as soon as possible. The dues for members residing in District 13, or the Counties of New York, Bronx, Westchester and Richmond, will be \$3.00. For all members residing outside of these counties, \$2.00. Please do *not* send currency to the Treasurer in unregistered letters, but remit by CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR REGISTERED LETTER.

Perhaps it is because of the prolonged discussion of the Fund for Sick Nurses that many have failed to pay their dues for 1921. (About forty members have not yet paid.)

Are you going to give the Fund your support or shall it go into bankruptcy? Remember, this is the fund for which you have been fighting! Will you rally and save it?

Laura G. Barret, Treasurer, Sick Nurses' Fund.

According to the Rules of the Alumnae Association nurses are not allowed to become club members or to use the Registry until their Annual Alumni Dues have been paid. Annual Dues are payable at the Annual Meeting in April. Club Dues are payable in May. We have found recently that there are a number of nurses who have come to register who have not paid their Alumnae Dues. Will the nurses who have not paid them kindly do so at once and save further confusion.

ALL NURSES WHO WISH TO SIGN A LEASE FOR A ROOM AT THE CLUB FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING, OCTOBER 1st, 1921, AND ENDING OCTOBER 1st, 1922, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SUPERINTENDENT NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 1st.

N. GILLETTE.

The University of Iowa announces the establishment of a School of Public Health Nursing to be opened September 23, 1920, at the beginning of the first semester of the coming academic year. The School will furnish both theoretical instruction and field work along all necessary lines, and upon the completion of courses a certificate of proficiency will be awarded. Detailed information may be obtained by addressing Miss Helena R. Stewart, Director of the School of Public Health Nursing, Iowa City, Iowa.

The American Nurses' Association has started a drive to increase the Relief Fund to \$150,000, by asking every nurse in the Association to contribute one day's salary. The choice of date has been left to each State.

In New York, the memory of Miss Sophia Palmer was honored by choosing the Anniversary of her birth.

Delegates from the N. Y. H. A. A. to District No. 13, are asked to remember the date of the next meeting—Tuesday, October 4th—as a most interesting program has been promised.

Plans for the proposed new Club House (a co-operative Home Club for Nurses) under the approval of District No. 13, are progressing and pledges are still being received. Miss Byrnes was Chairman of this Committee.

A RUMMAGE SALE will be held in October for the benefit of the Sick Nurses Fund. All the Nurses are asked to co-operate in making our first venture along this line as successful as our Bazaars have been in the past. And by asking their friends, and themselves to donate articles that can be spared from home and personal attire.

The object should be of interest to all our Nurses. Those who profit thereby are fortunate; those who do not more so.

All donations may be sent to the Club, 317 West 45th Street, after October 1.

KATHERINE MACDIARMID.

CLUB HAPPENINGS

Miss Gillette, the staff and the club members, generally, wish to thank all nurses who have so kindly taken trouble and thought to bring happiness to us all in furnishing so many lovely spring flowers for the Club.

A very enjoyable dance was given at the Club by the N. Y. H. Post on Saturday evening, April 21st. The pretty shades, which added so much to the festal air, were kindly loaned by Miss Jordan of the New York Hospital. Other friends at the Club contributed in various ways to the success of the party. Miss Verna Smith made a gracious hostess, welcoming about one hundred and fifty members of the unit and their friends to the joys of the dance.

On April 29th, Miss Gillette gave her annual tea to the incoming and outgoing Trustees of the Alumnae Association. Eighteen were present. A very pretty tea was spread in the library.

On May 21st, a very pretty dance was given in the Club Room by seven of the resident members. Miss Gillette and Mrs. Rogers, assisted by Miss McCrae and Miss Young, made very charming hostesses while Miss Macdiarmid gave a very delightful atmosphere to the supper room. About one hundred people attended. They were joined at 11:30 p. m. by the cast of the "Dumbells" Canadian Overseas men playing at the Ambassador Theatre. The dance was voted by many to be one of the prettiest and most enjoyable ones of the year.

The class of 1901 had a reunion dinner at the Club on Friday evening, May 27. An informal evening was spent. Two old class poems were read which brought back to mind some ancient jokes. Those present were the Misses Dickson, Wygant, Nelson, McCrae, Ranken, Elliott, Gowan, Muirheid and Mrs. Currie—half of the number graduated in this class. Telegrams of regret were received from Mrs. Swan and Miss Sutcliffe.

Miss Muirheid resumes her old post as Registrar for the summer. Miss Wood expects to return in the autumn.

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES

The Annual Meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the hospital on April 14th. The following officers were elected for the year:

President.....	Mrs. Victor C. Pedersen
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Trustee for two years.....	Miss Ethel Fenemore
Trustee for one year.....	Miss Leona Johnston

Mrs Rogers, Chairman of the Legislative Committee gave a most interesting report in regard to the fight against the Wright Bill, which has been safely killed after tremendous effort on the part of the Legislative Committee and the many friends of the Nurse Practice Act.

Mrs. Rogers also suggested that as voters we should know more of the men in political positions, and felt that meetings should be arranged at the Club where the Political Leaders of each party in the Thirteenth District could be invited to address our members on political matters, and it is hoped that in the autumn these meetings may be arranged, and that they will be well attended.

There were three new names recommended for membership: Miss Amy Gildersleeve, Miss Kathleen Woods, Miss Christine J. Dann.

The question of the Sick Fund was brought before the meeting once more, but the plan of separating it from the Association could not be determined upon without an expression of opinion from the members of the Sick Fund and it was moved and seconded that post cards be sent to each member reading, "Do you wish to have the Sick Fund separated from the Alumnae Association? Vote 'Yes' or 'No' and return to Miss Barrett."

A rising vote of recognition was given to the outgoing president, Miss R. Lee Cromwell, for the loyalty and willing spirit of co-operation which she has shown in taking up the office of President in the Association's emergency, and for the skill with which she has guided the affairs of the Association and Club House during the past year.

The May meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Club on May 12th, at 8 p. m. There were forty members present.

Surely the old adage "A new broom sweeps clean" lived up to its reputation in this new departure of the Association of having the meetings at the Club in the evening, but we hope that this particular broom will last longer than usual, and that everyone will find ways and means to give one evening a month to her Alumnae and come to the meetings and take a little of the responsibility upon herself in making them a success.

After the usual business meeting we had the privilege of listening to Miss Dickson (1901) tell, in a most inspiring way, of her work in China. Miss Dickson has been in charge of the Canton

Hospital for two years and her enthusiasm must have made us all feel that foreign nations are very much "worth while."

The regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Club House, Thursday evening, June 9th. There was not a very large attendance and it is hoped that in the autumn the members of the Association will feel some responsibility about attending the meetings and help to make them a success.

The Sick Fund was again discussed and it was decided to hold a Rummage Sale in the autumn for the benefit of it; also to have the Alumnae Association give it \$200 a year for five years.

The Fund for Overseas Sick Nurses was also discussed, and it was voted that any nurse entitled to draw from it should receive \$20.00 a week for six weeks.

Miss Muirheid was appointed the official delegate from this Association to the State Convention which is to be held in Utica in October.

Miss DeWitt wrote to the Association approving our change in the By-laws.

The following nurses were elected as members of the Alumnae Association:

Miss Louise Acton	Miss Dorothy Jones
Miss Anna Baarsen	Miss Florence Mack
Miss Bethel Bane	Miss Alice Maxwell
Miss H. Per Lu Bonton	Miss Frediricka Muller
Miss Edith Coxe	Miss Florence Munn
Miss Dorothy Cross	Miss Margaret Paten
Miss Diana Fowler	Miss Isabel Pitt
Miss Natalie Hall	Miss Helen Sayre
Miss Mary Halsted	Miss Catherine Sherrill
Miss Edna M. Haverstock	Miss Nellie Taylor
Miss Helen Hunt	

PERSONALS

Pauline Jordan, 1914, is in Armenia helping in the Far East Relief Work.

Mrs. Twiss will spend the summer at Nahant, Mass. Our deep and affectionate sympathy is extended to her in her double bereavement over the loss of both her husband and her mother.

Miss Jane Wright has left New York for her summer home at Wright's Settlement, Rome, N. Y.

Miss Dickson (1901) has returned from Canton, China, for a year's rest, having enjoyed her work very much.

Miss Margaret Munn left the Club on May 16 to be in charge of the Home for Crippled Children at Southhampton, L. I.

Miss Lucie Wygant (1901) finished her course at Simmons College, Boston, May 15.

Loving sympathy is extended to Miss Elizabeth Price in the loss of her father. Also to Miss Ludam in the loss of her sister.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Fraser and to Miss Amy Wright in the loss of their father and to Miss Gillette in the loss of her brother.

Miss Verna Smith and her sister have left the Club for an indefinite time. They will open their home at 3 Summerhill Garden, Toronto, Canada.

Elizabeth Olson, Class 1920, has completed a course in Hospital Social Service at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Miss Sarai Woodward has gone to Cleveland, Tenn., to do Public Health Work.

Miss Sullivan is in charge of the Good Samaritan Hospital, Palm Beach, Florida.

Miss Paget has resigned her position at the Post Graduate Hospital and has accepted a position at the Woman's Hospital.

Miss Grace Peterson and Miss Garrett will spend their vacation in Maine and Vermont.

Miss Mabel C. Beeler (1918) is with Emery, Bird Thayer Co., Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Desnoes (1917) has returned from Almirante, Panama, where she has been living for two years, and is now visiting her home in Halifax.

Miss Talcott and Miss Taylor have taken positions at the Pennsylvania Hotel in the Hospital with Miss Gravitt.

Miss Geisser (1908) finishes her course in secretarial training on June 1st and is returning to her home in Elmira, N. Y., for a short time. Later she expects to sail for East Harbor, Turk's Island, British West Indies, to visit Miss Stubbs (1908).

Miss Fauquier (1910) has opened a Tea Room with a friend at 41 West 37th Street. One of the nurses had luncheon there on opening day. Most delicious food was served. The best wishes of all go out to her in her new departure.

Miss Elizabeth Bowers leaves for Kineo, Maine, on July 1st to be gone for the summer.

Miss Nellie Rough took the month of May for her vacation, spending it in Toronto.

Miss Emma Powell sailed on the Mauretania on May 10th for an extended trip to Switzerland.

Miss Emma Siegel (1889) sailed on the Fabre Line Cecile with friends, on May 12th. She expects to visit Italy, France, Belgium, England and Spain and will return August 8.

Miss Annie Thomson (1900) sailed on the Canopic on April 20 to visit France, England and Spain.

Miss Edith Chappelle has returned from a trip to England. Miss Kelly took her place in Dr. Jellinghaus' office while she was away.

Miss Strube (1917) sailed on June 1st for Europe to be gone three months.

Miss Nina Graham and her sister are sailing for England and France about July 1st.

Miss Nellie McCrae (1901) has purchased a cottage in Ocean Point, Maine, and will spend her vacation there. Her classmate, Miss Muirheid, will join her for a short time.

Miss Sutcliffe is at her Mountainville home.

Miss Anna Duncan and Miss Mathilde Jouffret have been spending a few weeks at Atlantic City.

Miss Dumond is in charge of the Children's Ward at Grasslands Hospital, East View, Westchester, N. Y.

Miss Esther Anderson has arrived on the steamship, Stockholm. She has been doing epidemic work, both private and hospital. She was employed ten months by the Swedish Legation in Russia.

Miss Minnie Moore (1918) has been in charge of the obstetrical work at the Ellis Hospital, Schenectady. Miss Moore will attend Columbia this summer taking a course in the Department of Nursing and Health.

Miss Janet M. Rogers is sailing June 25 for England, Scotland, France, Belgium, and Switzerland, with her sister, Mrs. Gilbert Peterson, and her father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Cascadena.

Miss Ida Jane Anstead, now of Pittsfield, Mass., made a flying trip to New York, early in April, accompanied by her friend, Mrs. Ross. On Saturday, April 9, Miss Anstead and Mrs. Ross were guests of a number of her overseas friends at luncheon at the Club. All had lots of fun talking over old times.

Miss Mary L. Hall, Class 1889, Mrs. F. E. Shine and Mrs. Barker had luncheon at the Club on the 8th of June.

Miss Minnie Jordan, Superintendent of Nurses of the New York Hospital, left June 15th for Ocean Point, Me., for her vacation. The best wishes of all go with her for renewed strength and health for her duties.

Dr. William R. Williams sailed on the Rochambeau June 18th. The best wishes of all the nurses go with him for a bon voyage and a restful happy time in foreign lands—a safe return to his native land.

Miss Annie E. Earle, Class 1900, will leave June 23rd to take charge of a Girl's Camp at Casco, Maine.

A surprise party was given at the Yellow Astor Tea Room on Wednesday, April 27th by members of the nursing bureau of the Red Cross as a farewell to Miss Catherine Hay who, on account of ill health, has gone to Scotland on leave of absence. Much merriment was caused by the gentle slams the guests drew from a large Jack Horner pie which decorated the centre of the table. The guest of honor, Miss Hay, was presented with a corsage bouquet of orchids.

Many friends gathered at the tea hour at the home of Miss Mary Holland to say "bon voyage" to Miss Catherine Hay who was leaving the following week for a prolonged visit to her old home in Scotland. Miss Hay was presented with a beautiful amber handled, blue silk umbrella, a large package of steamer letters and hosts of good wishes from her fellow workers in the Nursing Bureau of the Red Cross on her departure for Scotland on Saturday, May 7th.

The following letter, from Dr. W. L. Russell of Bloomingdale Hospital, was received by Miss Jane Elizabeth Hitchcock, former secretary of the Alumnae Association.

"Dear Miss Hitchcock:

I have your letter in which you notify me of my election as an honorary member of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School. This is a great surprise and very gratifying to me. It seems to me that perhaps you may exaggerate any service that I may have been fortunate enough to have been able to render to any of the New York Hospital nurses. As head of the department of nervous and mental diseases, it would seem to be nothing less than my duty to extend to the nurses of the hospital any service within my power. I have no doubt that if the need arose the nurses of the Hospital would feel the same interest in being of service to this department as we have in being of service to them. I appreciate that it is as the head of the department that you have done me this honor, and I accept it with thanks.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) W. L. RUSSELL,
Medical Superintendent."

Miss Sarah C. Olmsted (1909) received the degree of B.S., major subject Public Health Administration, from Teachers' College, June 1, 1921.

Miss Edith Weaver is at Kuling General Hospital, Kuling, Kiangsi, China, and is enjoying her work very much.

Our President, Mrs. Victor C. Pedersen, left for Murray Isle, Thousand Islands, with her two children on June 8th. Dr. Pedersen will join them about the 20th.

After years of separation, four of the charter members of the N. Y. H. Nurses' Club, Mrs. E. K. Camp (nec Emery) the Misses Amy E. Holmes, Charlotte T. Birdsall and Mary Vroom, had a delightful reunion at the Club on April 23d and 24th. They had a merry time renewing old friendships, but were much disappointed not to see their dear Miss Sutcliffe.

The reunion dinner at the Astor must have been too much for two members of the party as they have not been heard from since.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Mary Bryson in the loss of her mother on May 13th.

BLOOMINGDALE PAGEANT

Those who were fortunate enough to attend the Centennial Celebration of Bloomingdale Hospital, on May 26th, enjoyed a very interesting and profitable day. A special train conveyed the visitors to White Plains and the morning was spent in the Assembly Hall listening to addresses by Dr. Jewellyn Barker, of Johns Hopkins Medical School, and Dr. Adolph Meyer, Professor of Psychiatry, also of Johns Hopkins Medical School. Luncheon was served on the lawn, after which a beautiful and most picturesque tableau-pageant was presented—"The Progress of Psychiatric Work During the Century."

In the afternoon we had the pleasure of listening to Dr. Richard Rows, Director, Neuro-Psychiatric Hospital, London, England, and Dr. Pierre Janet, Professor, College of France, Paris. Addresses were also given by Dr. Stewart, of the Academy of Medicine, New York City, Dr. William Russell, of Bloomingdale, and Mr. Sheldon, President of the Board of Governors of The Society of the New York Hospital.

CHINA

It is so difficult in writing of China to know where to begin and when to stop, there is so much of interest and wonderful opportunity for real service.

China is a human stream containing nearly one-fourth of the world's population, which is changing its centuries-old course. Its ancestors have choked it. Its youth is providing the new channel itself. They are feeling the urge of a more abundant life. What is that life? We do not know, but upon that answer hangs the peace, we may almost say the future existence, of the world.

There is a movement in China, now, called "China for the Chinese!" Yes, if it be Christian, but if not, this nation will be a menace to the whole world. China is awake. The doors are open. Someone has said they are "off their hinges."

In the time I have been in China I have seen great changes in old Canton. The old wall, twenty-five feet high and forty feet thick, that was ancient when William of Normandy was conquering England, has been pulled down to make roads for twentieth century automobiles. The new Governor, shortly after coming into office last September, closed every gambling house, and Canton has been considered the greatest gambling place in the world, and millions of dollars in revenue were gained for the city in this way. All this change was brought about through the influence of Chinese Christians. Changes are taking place constantly, and *now* is the day of opportunity.

The Chinese are a wonderful people. We cannot help but admire them for their marvelous self-control, their perseverance and cheerfulness, their artistic gifts, and we cannot help but love them for their solid human qualities.

My work in Canton Hospital, where we have been training Chinese men and women for nurses, has been exceedingly interesting and well worth while. I would not take anything for the rich experience of these few years and I hope to return next year to continue the work.

Canton Hospital is a union and interdenominational institution and is essential. In the province of Kwongtung there is only one bed to more than ten thousand patients. Did you know that there are only 1,600 hospitals in China? In Brooklyn alone you have doctors enough to replace all those in China and still have 600 left for Brooklyn. In the whole of China there are only 500 nurses, while in New York health work alone you have that amount.

The hospital has 200 beds. Seventy-five per cent of the

patients treated are poor. It is the first Missionary Hospital still in existence. During the past eighty-four years more than two million patients have been treated, and last year two thousand operations were performed, ranging from viceroy to beggar.

I love to make the missionary appeal for one cannot live and work among these people without being a missionary to China for the rest of one's life. Medical missionary work is often the key which will open the most difficult stations. The important friendship of Li Hung Chang for Christianity was gained by two medical missionaries who rendered by his wife valuable service. "Send us more missionaries, he said, while in the United States, "especially doctors and nurses."

The value and efficiency of missionary work are in direct proportion to the presence or absence of a hospital. Remember China is awake and now there is a great opportunity, but this opportunity is passing.

There are three ways in which we can help China. First, by prayer. "Prayer is the avenue of service." We missionaries especially need your prayers and we depend upon them, and when we have failed or disappointed you it is perhaps because you have not prayed hard enough for us.

Second, by investing in missions. Investing in missions is investing in the business of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and the returns are always abundant. If you could know the amazing power and influence of the Chinese Christians, you would appreciate the value of this investment.

Third, by choosing your investment. Project your life into another's—one who may be able to give long years of service for you as your substitute. How much I desire that there may be many New York Hospital Nurses who will become "Adventurers for God" among this great people.

How thankful we should be that we are living in this great day of opportunity, and in these days when old sign posts are being pulled down, may we be bold in blazing new trails and also in being faithful to God's lessons of the past that we may leave a fairer as well as a nobler world to those who come after us. God set our hearts on fire to learn more of the personal love of Christ that we may be more eager to bring others to share what makes the sunshine of our own lives.

BESSIE L. DICKSON.

CONCERNING THE SICK FUND

It is an astonishing fact to notice the small average of members of the Alumnae Association that belong to our Sick Nurses Benefit Fund, and the reason given by so many is that they do not know anything about it, or how to belong to it. From a business point of view it is undoubtedly a satisfactory investment, as I know of one nurse who belonged to it for two years and was ill once each year for a period of six weeks, at the end of which time she drew \$60 for each year, making a total of \$120, having paid \$15 dues.

Many of the nurses give as an excuse, when asked why they don't belong to this Fund, that they don't know how to go about it. This is one of the easiest problems. Send \$5 to Laura G. Barrett, R. N., 317 West 45th Street, N. Y., and she will, in turn, forward you a receipt which makes you a member and entitles you to draw \$10 a week for any illness you may be unfortunate enough to contract, for a period of not more than six weeks. Sometimes the excuse that is given is that the nurse says she is never ill, so why should she belong. The reason is that if she is fortunate enough to have the greatest gift in the world, viz., good health, she should be willing to contribute to a fund which will benefit a broken down or ill sister nurse who is less fortunate than she is, and it is a very comfortable feeling when you are ill to know that at least you will have the amount of your room rent assured after your recovery. Please let each of us that can, bear in mind to try and increase the membership of our Sick Nurses Fund. Five dollars per annum for membership entitles you to a benefit from the Fund after the expiration of the first year, and \$5 for each successive year, payable to Laura G. Barrett on January 1st.

The membership need not necessarily begin in January; it can date from any period you desire.

(Signed) ETHEL HOSKING.

AN IDEA

"To do the right thing at the right time, in the right way; to do some things better than they were ever done before; to eliminate errors; to know both sides of the question; to be courteous; to be an example; to work for love of the work; to anticipate requirements; to develop resources; to recognize no impediments; to master circumstances; to act from reason rather than rule; to be satisfied with nothing short of perfection."

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MARRIAGES

Miss Margaret Johnson, R. E. F., to Mr. A. Dauvot Golden, M.C., April 6, 1921.

Miss Margaret Reynolds (1920) to Dr. L. B. Kingery, March 4, 1921.

Miss Alice Elizabeth Butler to Mr. Lionel C. Wood, April 17, 1921, at Woodstock, Ontario, Canada.

Miss Dolly Larcombe (1916) to Mr. Hevlyn D. Benson.

Miss Isabel Maloy, Class 1920, to Dr. Paul Deneen, on Thursday June 23, 1921.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. I. Gordon Stevens (Effie MacFarlande) January 28, 1921, a son, Bay Head, Nova Scotia.

To Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sanbourne (Lelia Huyck) April 3, 1921, a daughter, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

To Major and Mrs. Thorne, April 13, 1921, a son, Deep Creek, Peachland, B. C.

To Mr. and Mrs. Killip, April 12, 1921, a daughter.

To Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Kellogg (Kathleen Kennedy) May 30, 1921, a daughter, Elizabeth Churchill Kellogg.

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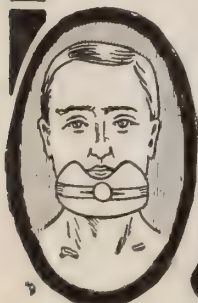
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MISS McVEAN, R. N. MISS ETHEL FENEMORE, R. N.
(For the month of July)

NOTICES

Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the first Thursday in each month, at 8 p. m., in the Library of the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

The Treasurer of the Association desires to call the attention of the members of the Alumnae Association again to the following notice:

The dues for 1921 were payable in April. Will all those who have not paid please do so as soon as possible. The dues for members residing in District 13, or the Counties of New York, Bronx, Westchester and Richmond, will be \$3.00. For all members residing outside of these counties, \$2.00. Please do *not* send currency to the Treasurer in unregistered letters, but remit by CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR REGISTERED LETTER.

Perhaps it is because of the prolonged discussion of the Fund for Sick Nurses that many have failed to pay their dues for 1921. (About forty members have not yet paid.)

Are you going to give the Fund your support or shall it go into bankruptcy? Remember, this is the fund for which you have been fighting! Will you rally and save it?

Laura G. Barret, Treasurer, Sick Nurses' Fund.

According to the Rules of the Alumnae Association nurses are not allowed to become club members or to use the Registry until their Annual Alumni Dues have been paid. Annual Dues are payable at the Annual Meeting in April. Club Dues are payable in May. We have found recently that there are a number of nurses who have come to register who have not paid their Alumnae Dues. Will the nurses who have not paid them kindly do so at once and save further confusion.

ALL NURSES WHO WISH TO SIGN A LEASE FOR A ROOM AT THE CLUB FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING, OCTOBER 1st, 1921, AND ENDING OCTOBER 1st, 1922, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SUPERINTENDENT NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 1st.

N. GILLETTE.

The University of Iowa announces the establishment of a School of Public Health Nursing to be opened September 23, 1920, at the beginning of the first semester of the coming academic year. The School will furnish both theoretical instruction and field work along all necessary lines, and upon the completion of courses a certificate of proficiency will be awarded. Detailed information may be obtained by addressing Miss Helena R. Stewart, Director of the School of Public Health Nursing, Iowa City, Iowa.

The American Nurses' Association has started a drive to increase the Relief Fund to \$150,000, by asking every nurse in the Association to contribute one day's salary. The choice of date has been left to each State.

In New York, the memory of Miss Sophia Palmer was honored by choosing the Anniversary of her birth.

Delegates from the N. Y. H. A. A. to District No. 13, are asked to remember the date of the next meeting—Tuesday, October 4th—as a most interesting program has been promised.

Plans for the proposed new Club House (a co-operative Home Club for Nurses) under the approval of District No. 13, are progressing and pledges are still being received. Miss Byrnes was Chairman of this Committee.

A RUMMAGE SALE will be held in October for the benefit of the Sick Nurses Fund. All the Nurses are asked to co-operate in making our first venture along this line as successful as our Bazaars have been in the past. And by asking their friends, and themselves to donate articles that can be spared from home and personal attire.

The object should be of interest to all our Nurses. Those who profit thereby are fortunate; those who do not more so.

All donations may be sent to the Club, 317 West 45th Street, after October 1.

KATHERINE MACDIARMID.

CLUB HAPPENINGS

Miss Gillette, the staff and the club members, generally, wish to thank all nurses who have so kindly taken trouble and thought to bring happiness to us all in furnishing so many lovely spring flowers for the Club.

A very enjoyable dance was given at the Club by the N. Y. H. Post on Saturday evening, April 21st. The pretty shades, which added so much to the festal air, were kindly loaned by Miss Jordan of the New York Hospital. Other friends at the Club contributed in various ways to the success of the party. Miss Verna Smith made a gracious hostess, welcoming about one hundred and fifty members of the unit and their friends to the joys of the dance.

On April 29th, Miss Gillette gave her annual tea to the incoming and outgoing Trustees of the Alumnae Association. Eighteen were present. A very pretty tea was spread in the library.

On May 21st, a very pretty dance was given in the Club Room by seven of the resident members. Miss Gillette and Mrs. Rogers, assisted by Miss McCrae and Miss Young, made very charming hostesses while Miss Macdiarmid gave a very delightful atmosphere to the supper room. About one hundred people attended. They were joined at 11.30 p. m. by the cast of the "Dumbells" Canadian Overseas men playing at the Ambassador Theatre. The dance was voted by many to be one of the prettiest and most enjoyable ones of the year.

The class of 1901 had a reunion dinner at the Club on Friday evening, May 27. An informal evening was spent. Two old class poems were read which brought back to mind some ancient jokes. Those present were the Misses Dickson, Wygant, Nelson, McCrae, Ranken, Elliott, Gowan, Muirheid and Mrs. Currie—half of the number graduated in this class. Telegrams of regret were received from Mrs. Swan and Miss Sutcliffe.

Miss Muirheid resumes her old post as Registrar for the summer. Miss Wood expects to return in the autumn.

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES

The Annual Meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the hospital on April 14th. The following officers were elected for the year:

President.....	Mrs. Victor C. Pedersen
Vice President.....	Miss Mary A. Smith
Recording Secretary.....	Miss Mary F. Holland
Corresponding Secretary.....	Miss Marie T. Geisser
Treasurer.....	Miss Marietta Wilsey
Trustee for two years.....	Miss Jessie McVean
Trustee for two years.....	Miss Ethel Fenemore
Trustee for one year.....	Miss Leona Johnston

Mrs Rogers, Chairman of the Legislative Committee gave a most interesting report in regard to the fight against the Wright Bill, which has been safely killed after tremendous effort on the part of the Legislative Committee and the many friends of the Nurse Practice Act.

Mrs. Rogers also suggested that as voters we should know more of the men in political positions, and felt that meetings should be arranged at the Club where the Political Leaders of each party in the Thirteenth District could be invited to address our members on political matters, and it is hoped that in the autumn these meetings may be arranged, and that they will be well attended.

There were three new names recommended for membership: Miss Amy Gildersleeve, Miss Kathleen Woods, Miss Christine J. Dann.

The question of the Sick Fund was brought before the meeting once more, but the plan of separating it from the Association could not be determined upon without an expression of opinion from the members of the Sick Fund and it was moved and seconded that post cards be sent to each member reading, "Do you wish to have the Sick Fund separated from the Alumnae Association? Vote 'Yes' or 'No' and return to Miss Barrett."

A rising vote of recognition was given to the outgoing president, Miss R. Lee Cromwell, for the loyalty and willing spirit of co-operation which she has shown in taking up the office of President in the Association's emergency, and for the skill with which she has guided the affairs of the Association and Club House during the past year.

The May meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Club on May 12th, at 8 p. m. There were forty members present.

Surely the old adage "A new broom sweeps clean" lived up to its reputation in this new departure of the Association of having the meetings at the Club in the evening, but we hope that this particular broom will last longer than usual, and that everyone will find ways and means to give one evening a month to her Alumnae and come to the meetings and take a little of the responsibility upon herself in making them a success.

After the usual business meeting we had the privilege of listening to Miss Dickson (1901) tell, in a most inspiring way, of her work in China. Miss Dickson has been in charge of the Canton

Hospital for two years and her enthusiasm must have made us all feel that foreign nations are very much "worth while."

The regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Club House, Thursday evening, June 9th. There was not a very large attendance and it is hoped that in the autumn the members of the Association will feel some responsibility about attending the meetings and help to make them a success.

The Sick Fund was again discussed and it was decided to hold a Rummage Sale in the autumn for the benefit of it; also to have the Alumnae Association give it \$200 a year for five years.

The Fund for Overseas Sick Nurses was also discussed, and it was voted that any nurse entitled to draw from it should receive \$20.00 a week for six weeks.

Miss Muirheid was appointed the official delegate from this Association to the State Convention which is to be held in Utica in October.

Miss DeWitt wrote to the Association approving our change in the By-laws.

The following nurses were elected as members of the Alumnae Association:

Miss Louise Acton
Miss Anna Baarsen
Miss Bethel Bane
Miss H. Per Lu Bonton
Miss Edith Coxe
Miss Dorothy Cross
Miss Diana Fowler
Miss Natalie Hall
Miss Mary Halsted
Miss Edna M. Haverstock
Miss Helen Hunt

Miss Dorothy Jones
Miss Florence Mack
Miss Alice Maxwell
Miss Frediricka Muller
Miss Florence Munn
Miss Margaret Paten
Miss Isabel Pitt
Miss Helen Sayre
Miss Catherine Sherrill
Miss Nellie Taylor

PERSONALS

Pauline Jordan, 1914, is in Armenia helping in the Far East Relief Work.

Mrs. Twiss will spend the summer at Nahant, Mass. Our deep and affectionate sympathy is extended to her in her double bereavement over the loss of both her husband and her mother.

Miss Jane Wright has left New York for her summer home at Wright's Settlement, Rome, N. Y.

Miss Dickson (1901) has returned from Canton, China, for a year's rest, having enjoyed her work very much.

Miss Margaret Munn left the Club on May 16 to be in charge of the Home for Crippled Children at Southhampton, L. I.

Miss Lucie Wygant (1901) finished her course at Simmons College, Boston, May 15.

Loving sympathy is extended to Miss Elizabeth Price in the loss of her father. Also to Miss Ludam in the loss of her sister.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Fraser and to Miss Amy Wright in the loss of their father and to Miss Gillette in the loss of her brother.

Miss Verna Smith and her sister have left the Club for an indefinite time. They will open their home at 3 Summerhill Garden, Toronto, Canada.

Elizabeth Olson, Class 1920, has completed a course in Hospital Social Service at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Miss Sarai Woodward has gone to Cleveland, Tenn., to do Public Health Work.

Miss Sullivan is in charge of the Good Samaritan Hospital, Palm Beach, Florida.

Miss Paget has resigned her position at the Post Graduate Hospital and has accepted a position at the Woman's Hospital.

Miss Grace Peterson and Miss Garrett will spend their vacation in Maine and Vermont.

Miss Mabel C. Beeler (1918) is with Emery, Bird Thayer Co., Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Desnoes (1917) has returned from Almirante, Panama, where she has been living for two years, and is now visiting her home in Halifax.

Miss Talcott and Miss Taylor have taken positions at the Pennsylvania Hotel in the Hospital with Miss Gravitt.

Miss Geisser (1908) finishes her course in secretarial training on June 1st and is returning to her home in Elmira, N. Y., for a short time. Later she expects to sail for East Harbor, Turk's Island, British West Indies, to visit Miss Stubbs (1908).

Miss Fauquier (1910) has opened a Tea Room with a friend at 41 West 37th Street. One of the nurses had luncheon there on opening day. Most delicious food was served. The best wishes of all go out to her in her new departure.

Miss Elizabeth Bowers leaves for Kineo, Maine, on July 1st to be gone for the summer.

Miss Nellie Rough took the month of May for her vacation, spending it in Toronto.

Miss Emma Powell sailed on the Mauretania on May 10th for an extended trip to Switzerland.

Miss Enma Siegel (1889) sailed on the Fabre Line Cecile with friends, on May 12th. She expects to visit Italy, France, Belgium, England and Spain and will return August 8.

Miss Annie Thomson (1900) sailed on the Canopic on April 20 to visit France, England and Spain.

Miss Edith Chappelle has returned from a trip to England. Miss Kelly took her place in Dr. Jellinghaus' office while she was away.

Miss Strube (1917) sailed on June 1st for Europe to be gone three months.

Miss Nina Graham and her sister are sailing for England and France about July 1st.

Miss Nellie McCrae (1901) has purchased a cottage in Ocean Point, Maine, and will spend her vacation there. Her classmate, Miss Muirheid, will join her for a short time.

Miss Sutcliffe is at her Mountainville home.

Miss Anna Duncan and Miss Mathilde Jouffret have been spending a few weeks at Atlantic City.

Miss Dumond is in charge of the Children's Ward at Grasslands Hospital, East View, Westchester, N. Y.

Miss Esther Anderson has arrived on the steamship, Stockholm. She has been doing epidemic work, both private and hospital. She was employed ten months by the Swedish Legation in Russia.

Miss Minnie Moore (1918) has been in charge of the obstetrical work at the Ellis Hospital, Schenectady. Miss Moore will attend Columbia this summer taking a course in the Department of Nursing and Health.

Miss Janet M. Rogers is sailing June 25 for England, Scotland, France, Belgium, and Switzerland, with her sister, Mrs. Gilbert Peterson, and her father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Cascadena.

Miss Ida Jane Anstead, now of Pittsfield, Mass., made a flying trip to New York, early in April, accompanied by her friend, Mrs. Ross. On Saturday, April 9, Miss Anstead and Mrs. Ross were guests of a number of her overseas friends at luncheon at the Club. All had lots of fun talking over old times.

Miss Mary L. Hall, Class 1889, Mrs. F. E. Shine and Mrs. Barker had luncheon at the Club on the 8th of June.

Miss Minnie Jordan, Superintendent of Nurses of the New York Hospital, left June 15th for Ocean Point, Me., for her vacation. The best wishes of all go with her for renewed strength and health for her duties.

Dr. William R. Williams sailed on the Rochambeau June 18th. The best wishes of all the nurses go with him for a bon voyage and a restful happy time in foreign lands—a safe return to his native land.

Miss Annie E. Earle, Class 1900, will leave June 23rd to take charge of a Girl's Camp at Casco, Maine.

A surprise party was given at the Yellow Astor Tea Room on Wednesday, April 27th by members of the nursing bureau of the Red Cross as a farewell to Miss Catherine Hay who, on account of ill health, has gone to Scotland on leave of absence. Much merriment was caused by the gentle slams the guests drew from a large Jack Horner pie which decorated the centre of the table. The guest of honor, Miss Hay, was presented with a corsage bouquet of orchids.

Many friends gathered at the tea hour at the home of Miss Mary Holland to say "bon voyage" to Miss Catherine Hay who was leaving the following week for a prolonged visit to her old home in Scotland. Miss Hay was presented with a beautiful amber handled, blue silk umbrella, a large package of steamer letters and hosts of good wishes from her fellow workers in the Nursing Bureau of the Red Cross on her departure for Scotland on Saturday, May 7th.

The following letter, from Dr. W. L. Russell of Bloomingdale Hospital, was received by Miss Jane Elizabeth Hitchcock, former secretary of the Alumnae Association.

"Dear Miss Hitchcock:

I have your letter in which you notify me of my election as an honorary member of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School. This is a great surprise and very gratifying to me. It seems to me that perhaps you may exaggerate any service that I may have been fortunate enough to have been able to render to any of the New York Hospital nurses. As head of the department of nervous and mental diseases, it would seem to be nothing less than my duty to extend to the nurses of the hospital any service within my power. I have no doubt that if the need arose the nurses of the Hospital would feel the same interest in being of service to this department as we have in being of service to them. I appreciate that it is as the head of the department that you have done me this honor, and I accept it with thanks.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) W. L. RUSSELL,
Medical Superintendent."

Miss Sarah C. Olmsted (1909) received the degree of B.S., major subject Public Health Administration, from Teachers' College, June 1, 1921.

Miss Edith Weaver is at Kuling General Hospital, Kuling, Kiangsi, China, and is enjoying her work very much.

Our President, Mrs. Victor C. Pedersen, left for Murray Isle, Thousand Islands, with her two children on June 8th. Dr. Pedersen will join them about the 20th.

After years of separation, four of the charter members of the N. Y. H. Nurses' Club, Mrs. E. K. Camp (nec Emery) the Misses Amy E. Holmes, Charlotte T. Birdsall and Mary Vroom, had a delightful reunion at the Club on April 23d and 24th. They had a merry time renewing old friendships, but were much disappointed not to see their dear Miss Sutcliffe.

The reunion dinner at the Astor must have been too much for two members of the party as they have not been heard from since.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Mary Bryson in the loss of her mother on May 13th.

BLOOMINGDALE PAGEANT

Those who were fortunate enough to attend the Centennial Celebration of Bloomingdale Hospital, on May 26th, enjoyed a very interesting and profitable day. A special train conveyed the visitors to White Plains and the morning was spent in the Assembly Hall listening to addresses by Dr. Lewellyn Barker, of Johns Hopkins Medical School, and Dr. Adolph Meyer, Professor of Psychiatry, also of Johns Hopkins Medical School. Luncheon was served on the lawn, after which a beautiful and most picturesque tableau-pageant was presented—"The Progress of Psychiatric Work During the Century."

In the afternoon we had the pleasure of listening to Dr. Richard Rows, Director, Neuro-Psychiatric Hospital, London, England, and Dr. Pierre Janet, Professor, College of France, Paris. Addresses were also given by Dr. Stewart, of the Academy of Medicine, New York City, Dr. William Russell, of Bloomingdale, and Mr. Sheldon, President of the Board of Governors of The Society of the New York Hospital.

CHINA

It is so difficult in writing of China to know where to begin and when to stop, there is so much of interest and wonderful opportunity for real service.

China is a human stream containing nearly one-fourth of the world's population, which is changing its centuries-old course. Its ancestors have choked it. Its youth is providing the new channel itself. They are feeling the urge of a more abundant life. What is that life? We do not know, but upon that answer hangs the peace, we may almost say the future existence, of the world.

There is a movement in China, now, called "China for the Chinese!" Yes, if it be Christian, but if not, this nation will be a menace to the whole world. China is awake. The doors are open. Someone has said they are "off their hinges."

In the time I have been in China I have seen great changes in old Canton. The old wall, twenty-five feet high and forty feet thick, that was ancient when William of Normandy was conquering England, has been pulled down to make roads for twentieth century automobiles. The new Governor, shortly after coming into office last September, closed every gambling house, and Canton has been considered the greatest gambling place in the world, and millions of dollars in revenue were gained for the city in this way. All this change was brought about through the influence of Chinese Christians. Changes are taking place constantly, and *now* is the day of opportunity.

The Chinese are a wonderful people. We cannot help but admire them for their marvelous self-control, their perseverance and cheerfulness, their artistic gifts, and we cannot help but love them for their solid human qualities.

My work in Canton Hospital, where we have been training Chinese men and women for nurses, has been exceedingly interesting and well worth while. I would not take anything for the rich experience of these few years and I hope to return next year to continue the work.

Canton Hospital is a union and interdenominational institution and is essential. In the province of Kwongtung there is only one bed to more than ten thousand patients. Did you know that there are only 1,600 hospitals in China? In Brooklyn alone you have doctors enough to replace all those in China and still have 600 left for Brooklyn. In the whole of China there are only 500 nurses, while in New York health work alone you have that amount.

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patients treated are poor. It is the first Missionary Hospital still in existence. During the past eighty-four years more than two million patients have been treated, and last year two thousand operations were performed, ranging from viceroy to beggar.

I love to make the missionary appeal for one cannot live and work among these people without being a missionary to China for the rest of one's life. Medical missionary work is often the key which will open the most difficult stations. The important friendship of Li Hung Chang for Christianity was gained by two medical missionaries who rendered by his wife valuable service. "Send us more missionaries, he said, while in the United States, "especially doctors and nurses."

The value and efficiency of missionary work are in direct proportion to the presence or absence of a hospital. Remember China is awake and now there is a great opportunity, but this opportunity is passing.

There are three ways in which we can help China. First, by prayer. "Prayer is the avenue of service." We missionaries especially need your prayers and we depend upon them, and when we have failed or disappointed you it is perhaps because you have not prayed hard enough for us.

Second, by investing in missions. Investing in missions is investing in the business of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and the returns are always abundant. If you could know the amazing power and influence of the Chinese Christians, you would appreciate the value of this investment.

Third, by choosing your investment. Project your life into another's—one who may be able to give long years of service for you as your substitute. How much I desire that there may be many New York Hospital Nurses who will become "Adventurers for God" among this great people.

How thankful we should be that we are living in this great day of opportunity, and in these days when old sign posts are being pulled down, may we be bold in blazing new trails and also in being faithful to God's lessons of the past that we may leave a fairer as well as a nobler world to those who come after us. God set our hearts on fire to learn more of the personal love of Christ that we may be more eager to bring others to share what makes the sunshine of our own lives.

BESSIE L. DICKSON.

CONCERNING THE SICK FUND

It is an astonishing fact to notice the small average of members of the Alumnae Association that belong to our Sick Nurses Benefit Fund, and the reason given by so many is that they do not know anything about it, or how to belong to it. From a business point of view it is undoubtedly a satisfactory investment, as I know of one nurse who belonged to it for two years and was ill once each year for a period of six weeks, at the end of which time she drew \$60 for each year, making a total of \$120, having paid \$15 dues.

Many of the nurses give as an excuse, when asked why they don't belong to this Fund, that they don't know how to go about it. This is one of the easiest problems. Send \$5 to Laura G. Barrett, R. N., 311 West 45th Street, N. Y., and she will, in turn, forward you a receipt which makes you a member and entitles you to draw \$10 a week for any illness you may be unfortunate enough to contract, for a period of not more than six weeks. Sometimes the excuse that is given is that the nurse says she is never ill, so why should she belong. The reason is that if she is fortunate enough to have the greatest gift in the world, viz., good health, she should be willing to contribute to a fund which will benefit a broken down or ill sister nurse who is less fortunate than she is, and it is a very comfortable feeling when you are ill to know that at least you will have the amount of your room rent assured after your recovery. Please let each of us that can, bear in mind to try and increase the membership of our Sick Nurses Fund. Five dollars per annum for membership entitles you to a benefit from the Fund after the expiration of the first year, and \$5 for each successive year, payable to Laura G. Barrett on January 1st.

The membership need not necessarily begin in January; it can date from any period you desire.

(Signed) ETHEL HOSKING.

AN IDEA

"To do the right thing at the right time, in the right way; to do some things better than they were ever done before; to eliminate errors; to know both sides of the question; to be courteous; to be an example; to work for love of the work; to anticipate requirements; to develop resources; to recognize no impediments; to master circumstances; to act from reason rather than rule; to be satisfied with nothing short of perfection."

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MARRIAGES

Miss Margaret Johnson, R. E. F., to Mr. A. Dauvot Golden, M.C., April 6, 1921.

Miss Margaret Reynolds (1920) to Dr. L. B. Kingery, March 4, 1921.

Miss Alice Elizabeth Butler to Mr. Lionel C. Wood, April 17, 1921, at Woodstock, Ontario, Canada.

Miss Dolly Larcombe (1916) to Mr. Hevlyn D. Benson.

Miss Isabel Maloy, Class 1920, to Dr. Paul Deneen, on Thursday June 23, 1921.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. I. Gordon Stevens (Effie MacFarlande) January 28, 1921, a son, Bay Head, Nova Scotia.

To Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sanbourne (Lelia Huyck) April 3, 1921, a daughter, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

To Major and Mrs. Thorne, April 13, 1921, a son, Deep Creek, Peachland, B. C.

To Mr. and Mrs. Killip, April 12, 1921, a daughter.

To Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Kellogg (Kathleen Kennedy) May 30, 1921, a daughter, Elizabeth Churchill Kellogg.

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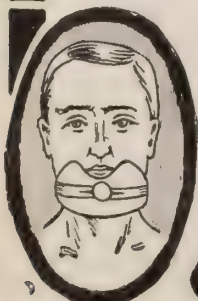
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NOTICES

The New York State Nurses Association will hold their annual meeting in Utica, N. Y., October 26-27-28, 1921. The official delegate this year being Miss Lillian Muirheid. Headquarters, Hotel Utica.

The following is the list of delegates :

DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION

(Proposed Names)

Miss Adams, G.	Miss Hewitt, F.
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Miss Benz, E.	Miss Johnson, F.
Miss Blake, E.	Miss Johnston, L.
Miss Bower, E.	Miss Keneally, H.
Miss Bell, F.	Miss Luce, B.
Miss Colver, A.	Miss Muirheid, L.
Miss Duncan, A. B.	Miss McVean, J.
Miss Dean, E. A.	Miss Maher, Helen
Miss Danaher, E.	Mrs. Pederson, V.
Miss Dinehart, E.	Miss Rogers, J. M.
Miss Fraser, A.	Miss Smith, Mary
Miss Golding, E. E.	Mrs. Schenck, C. W.
Miss Goodrich, A.	Miss Starr, M.
Miss Gillette, N.	Mrs. Twiss, V. C.
Miss Grafton, L.	Miss Tybjerg, K.
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Mrs. Hair, E.	Miss Wright, J.

The New York County Registered Nurses' Association will hold the fall meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 8 P. M., at the Central Club, 132 E. 45th St. A full attendance is earnestly requested.

DELEGATES TO COUNTY ASSOCIATION

(Proposed Names)

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Miss Alston, F. E.	Miss Grafton, L. O.
Miss Barnfield, E.	Miss Gillette, N.
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Miss Fraser, A. C.	Miss Kelly, L.
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Miss Wald, L.
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Delegates are asked to take this as their official notification of appointment.

The "restraining injunction" of the Chautauqua School of Nursing against the N. Y. State Nurses Association was satisfactorily settled late in August.

The Recording Secretary, Miss Mary Holland, 40 Grace Court, Brooklyn, would like every member of the Alumni Association to send their permanent address, business address and telephone number, on a post card to her as soon as possible.

Meetings of the Alumni Association of the New York Hospital Training School are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th St., at 8 P. M. sharp. The first meeting of the fall is Thursday, October 13th. Please be prompt, so that all business may have full discussion and a happy social gathering after the meeting may be indulged in.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

All who are interested in our Club will be glad to know, after many months' waiting, the Astor Estate has repaired the roof and water-proofed the outside walls.

The Trustees had hoped to have all the rooms painted during the summer, and had an estimate given for painting the entire house, but were all very much disappointed when the workmen engaged to do the work on the roof failed to come and kept us waiting one month - instead of beginning the work in July as we expected, they did not come until August.

The estimate given by W. H. Oliver for painting rooms and halls on the 7th, 8th and 9th floors is \$3,521. The Astor Estate has agreed to pay \$801 of this amount to cover all damage to the walls and ceiling due to the leakage in the roof, leaving a balance of \$2,720 for the Club to pay. In addition to this we are obliged to paint all the exterior iron and sheet metal work, as well as all radiators in the newly painted rooms— for which the estimate is \$599 making the bill \$3,319.

Respectfully, N. GILLETTE, Supt.

NOTICE

ALL GRADUATES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL, COMING TO LIVE AT THE CLUB, WILL PLEASE BRING THEIR RECEIPTS FOR ALUMNAE DUES.

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT CLUB AND REGISTRATION (\$10.00) MUST BE PAID BEFORE THEY CAN REGISTER.

N. GILLETTE, Superintendent.

The Club took on its holiday expression on June 15th. Miss Gillette leaving for her vacation spending it in Weinersville, Pa., near to Nature's heart. Miss Fenemor relieved in the office for the months of June, July and August.

Miss Muirheid took her vacation in the month of August.

Miss Winants ran the Registry at night from July 15th to Aug. 15th.

Miss Dear took her vacation during this time. Miss Dear is on night duty at present. Miss Winants resigned her position Sept. 1st. Her many friends feel very sorry for her and wish her renewed strength four-fold.

During the month of August Miss McDiarmid and Miss Muirheid had charge of the Registry, Miss Fenemore taking her vacation.

Miss Fenemore returns October 1st as Miss Gillett's assistant.

Miss Lavinia Wood returns to her old post as Registrar and Miss Muirheid leaves.

The office realizes that unfailing courtesy and cheerful attention to the pleasure and comfort of all its patrons is the keynote of service required and the means to this end is cheerfulness, pleasantry and smiles.

LETTERS FROM ABROAD

Alexandropol, Armenia.

July 27, 1921.

My Dear Miss Muirheid:

Of course, I shall be glad to write something for you! I shall tell you about things as I have found them out here, and you can use whatever parts of my letter that you see fit.

In the beginning, we were unusually fortunate in our trip over. We stopped a couple of days at Gibraltar, two weeks in Naples, and a day in Athens, so we were able to see a great deal before settling down to work. After five days in Constantinople, we started up the Black Sea for the Caucasus, stopping six times at quaint Turkish ports, and landing in Batoum, Georgia, after a week.

Everything looked familiar in Batoum. You know I have been the length of Russia twice, and there were the same ragged peasants, the whining beggars, and the ugly, wooden one-story houses that one finds in Russia, the same food, and the cobbled streets with big holes in them. Georgia has belonged to Russia for nearly a hundred years, although the last of the resisting mountain tribes were not subdued until forty years ago. Since the revolution Georgia has

been independent, and recognized by all the Great Powers except the United States. The people of the Caucasus are divided into many small tribes, separated by high mountains, and difficult passes, and this has helped to keep the tribes distinct, each with its own language and customs. In the city of Tiflis forty-three languages are spoken, although Georgian is the principal one.

We went on from Batoum to Tiflis, through the high mountains, and deep gorges. It is a very wild and bare country, with tiny houses perched on the hills. We passed many old castles, supposed to have been built by the Georgian Queen, Tamara, in the twelfth century. The history of the country goes back to legendary times. It was just beyond the place where Batoum now stands that Jason found the Golden Fleece, and it is an interesting fact that the peasants to this day dip fleece or the skin and wool of a sheep in gold bearing streams, to extract the gold dust. In the main range of the Caucasian Mountains, which run straight across the peninsula, dividing Europe and Asia, is Mt. Elburz, the highest mountain in Europe. It was here that Prometheus was supposed to have been bound. The Georgians were one of the first people to accept Christianity, early in the fourth century. Their history is a long struggle for independence, against Persia, Macedonia, the Tartars, and finally Russia. You will think I am giving you a great deal of history, but as a matter of fact, I have been intensely interested in all things Georgian, and have taken the trouble to do some reading in the splendid Tiflis library, and look over old prints, and paintings. I suppose it is one of the most romantic and fascinating countries in the world.

Arriving in Tiflis, we were not able to get through to Armenia, because the Turks had come in, and the trains were unable to get through. When the bridges had been repaired, there was a big landslide which delayed us again, and finally the country (Armenia), went Bolshevik, and we were ordered back to Constantinople. We had been waiting two months in Tiflis. There was no work to be done, because there was no budget, so we went out a great deal socially, thanks to our American Consuls, who introduced us to everyone in town. Tiflis was at that time (November and December, 1920) the last retreat of the old Russian nobility. We met a number of people who had been at the late Tzar's Court—his aide-de-campe—who was with him when he was killed, several ladies-in-waiting to the Tzarina, a cousin of the Tzar, a nephew of one of the Grand Dukes, and any number of Russians who had fled to Georgia after the revolution. It was an interesting opportunity to study at close hand a class which has almost disappeared, and which will probably never be prominent again in Russia.

At the end of two months we were ordered back to Constantinople. We felt very badly at leaving our Tiflis friends, as we knew that the entry of the Bolsheviks was inevitable, and we were afraid that they would all be massacred. In Constantinople I was assigned to a tuberculous hospital-orphanage; this was fed from the city clinics, held by the N. E. R. and the native district nurses. I was assistant to our N. E. R. Chief Nurse,

Miss Wood, for about four months, teaching the native nurses, and doing the marketing for the orphanage. This part of the work I found very interesting, buying for the children, arranging the diets, and motoring all over the city of Constantinople, bargaining and buying. At the end of this time I left the Yedi-Koule Hospital to go into town to relieve Miss Ethel Thompson, who was in Social Service. While she went to Bulgaria and Serbia for her vacation I took her place in the Social Service Bureau, mornings, and did school-visiting, afternoons. The schools were Jewish, Turkish, Armenian and Greek.

Early in May a call came from the Caucasus, which had been occupied by the Bolshiviks. I was very glad to go back, and was fortunate enough to be sent out with the first personnel that went out. The Caucasus had been completely cut off since the entry of the Bolos into Tiflis. At last the N. E. R. chartered a small boat, and filled it with supplies, sending two American men with it as supercargos, flying the American flag—the first American ship to dock in a Bolo port. The ship was well received, and its cargo went to Armenia, arriving just in the nick of time, because there was only enough flour to feed the 18,000 one more day. As soon as the cargo got through the call came for workers, and seven of us women started out on an Italian ship whose cargo and deck space had been chartered by the N. E. R. Everyone said that it was madness to send us out with such a valuable cargo, past the brigands of the Black Sea coast, and into a Bolshivik country, unprotected and unescorted. You may be sure that we were greatly set up over the adventure, and the more warnings we got the more exciting it became. The American Consul took our passports away from us, and warned us that we were going at our own risk. As a matter of fact, I have never had a more delightful trip. We had the whole cargoboat to ourselves—a very small ship—and a tiny, tiny deck.

When we came into Batoum harbor, a Bolo boat came out and stopped us, and looked us all over. I am sure we all looked harmless enough, and they let us land without any trouble. We were held up a week in Batoum, waiting for transportation. Finally they produced an enormous box car (made in New York state, by the way), which was washed down, lined with burlap, furnished with our seven folding cots, and a small wood stove and provisions. We were wonderfully comfortable, except for the bumps. Two days later we reached Tiflis.

We found the city changed. People wore shabbier clothes, and every one had a leaner and hungrier look. The shops had been practically cleaned out by the Bolos. There had been no executions, except for profiteering, and a number of Bolo soldiers who had been shot for looting. The discipline is very strict in the Bolo army now, and in Batoum a soldier was shot for stealing a chicken. They are very badly fed, on short rations of bread, and sometimes bad herrings. The soldiers are veritably in rags and tatters, some of them without shoes. I only wish the Red sympathizers in our country could see to what a pass Russia has come. Thousands of

educated, cultured people would starve, and their children, too, if it were not for the N. E. R. dining rooms. There is no work, except with the Government, which pays about 20,000 rubles a month for the more skilled workers. A pound of black bread costs 4,000 rubles. How do they live? No one knows. Theoretically they feed all their workers, but actually many days go by when the army alone gets any bread. I was on the Russian frontier, in Roumania, during the revolution and watched two million Russian soldiers go Bolshevik. I thought I could never forgive the things that happened there, but these poor stupid soldiers are in such a pitiful condition, and the whole country is in such misery, that I am sorry for them in spite of myself. As for the Russian people, it is the greatest tragedy of modern times. I could go on indefinitely, but it would be unwise, as we aren't supposed to say anything that might find its way back to them. The Bolos are rapidly becoming sick of their program. I think we shall soon see the restoration of private property rights, and the gradual overthrow of socialistic, as well as communistic principles.

When I came to talk with the General Director, in Tiflis, I was greatly surprised to find myself assigned to Publicity, for a certain length of time. I may add that I was delighted, as I took a course in the School of Journalism, last summer, and was pleasantly surprised to be able to get some practice in this line. My work has taken me into all corners of activities, out here. I stayed a month in Tiflis, and am now working in Alexandropol, Armenia, and shall soon go on to Erivan, the Armenian capital.

When our ship came on, in May, there were no American nurses in the Caucasus. It has been a great satisfaction to see conditions improve under regular nurses. The worst cases here are enteritis and old malnutrition cases. The scabies, of which there was a great deal, is well under control, and should soon disappear. There is still considerable favus, and occasional cases of typhus. The trachoma is the worst. The percentage is very high, and a number of the American personnel have it. It is almost impossible to protect oneself against, when everyone else has it—the cook, the maids, and the laundress, as well as the greater part of the patients, orphans, and local personnel. We have a very good American eye specialist who has arrived, and we hope that conditions will improve. The work of the nurses here is largely organization, and then policing. The actual work is done by native doctors, students, nurses, aides and maids. The work in Armenia has been interrupted so often that there is a great deal of constructive work to be done. One has a free hand to make improvements, and the work is satisfying, although it approaches relief work more nearly than nursing. I expect to be given some nursing work later on.

We are very comfortable here, as each one has her own room, and although the town is in ruins, and there is no where to go, we make our own good times, like a large family. We are able to ride a great deal, and I don't know anything so delightful as a gallop across the plains. It is worth coming way over here! Last Saturday nine of us started out to visit Ani, the ancient capital

of Armenia. Five were in the car, and four of us rode. When we got to the Turkish frontier we had to wait while the officer telephoned for our permission. Then they gave us a Turkish soldier as an escort, and we went south through a wild canyon, up hill and down, and across lots, until it was so dark, about nine o'clock in the evening, that we had to stop in a Kourdish village. We were anxious to sleep in the church, but they wouldn't let us, neither would they let us sleep out of doors. They said, "It would be a shame to our village if we gave you anything but the best," so we finally went to the house of one of the head men of the village, and there they gave us a big room, with wide wooden divans built in on three sides. We put up our horses, and got out our food, inviting our host to eat with us, which he did with much dignity. Desperately tired, we stretched out in our clothes, and slept soundly. The next morning we were off at seven, giving our host a present of some old clothes, which are worth more than their weight in gold in this country. We took pictures of the women, with their picturesque headdresses of silk and gold coins, their full trousers and shorter skirts. We arrived at Ani about noon, and were very much impressed with the ruins. The city was first spoken of by travelers in the fourth century, and was destroyed by the Tartars in the tenth. Part of the thick city walls still stand, with heavy round towers, and several of the old churches have their old frescoes fairly well preservd. The Turks had telephoned that we were coming, and we were met in front of the ruins by some Turkish officers and a number of soldiers. They were drawn up to meet us, and as we reached them the whole cavalcade wheeled and started for the city gates, at top speed, and we with them. It was the most dramatic entry possible through the breach in the walls, around the thick round towers, and through the main arch.

We spent the rest of the day visiting the ruins, and taking pictures, starting back in the evening, with an escort of two mounted Turks. We rode until midnight, fording streams in the dark, and taking supper in a Kourdish village, sweet cream, cheese, matzoon, and flat native bread, baked on stones. About midnight one of the horses gave out, and we all crawled into a haystack, and spent the night. The next morning we were off early, and got back to the Post in time for duty, having covered over eighty miles.

I am afraid you will think that I have told you very little about the work, and I have not said anything about the suffering and misery one sees. Everyone knows now what conditions are here. The relief work, or rather orphanage work in Armenia is taking care of things very well, but there is still a great deal of unrelieved suffering in Georgia. I suppose thousands of people will either starve or freeze to death, this winter.

The relief work appeals to me more than anything else, and the general unexpectedness of things, the charm of the Orient. I am very happy and contented out here, and have never ceased to be thankful that I came out. I plan to study Russian all winter, and feel that I am not wasting my time. The work that I did at Columbia has been useful to me in more ways than I could tell you, and

when I finally go home, it will be to study another year, and get my degree. I think of you all so often, and am so happy when the Alumni News comes, like a breath from home. I have written asking a hundred questions about the girls in China. It may be that I shall be able to relieve one of them, at the end of their three years. The present Medical Director at this Post is Dr. Blythe, a Cornell man who relieved one summer at the N. Y. H. (Cornell '15). It is so nice to have someone from home, and he has done splendid work.

If I can do anything else for you, in general or in particular do let me know. My very best love and good wishes to you all,

Sincerely,

PAULINE JORDAN.

Near East Relief,

25 Rue Taxim, Constantinople,
Caucasus Branch.

Camp Palmos, Liberia, West Africa,
April 14th, 1921.

The Xmas Greeting from the Alumni arrived some time ago. I do thank you very much for remembering me. It was such a pleasant surprise. My thought many times go back to where I spent several very pleasant years in a training which means much to me each day in my chosen work here in Liberia.

Thanking you again,

Sincerely yours,

EDITH L. BINGHAM, 1912.

When I wrote making application to enter the Training School, I said I only knew two things which were required in Hospital life, and they were obedience and punctuality. The Principal of the Training School wrote back that those were the foundation stones of the Hospital.

Every day of my life I give thanks for the fine training which was given us at the New York Hospital, not only in the care of those who were ill, but in the many ways of learning to live in a right and honest way.

The pupil who does not return punctually to the ward at the expiration of her time off, is depriving some one of her full time, and is injuring her own self more than she can appreciate, for a person who is dishonest with regard to time in the hospital will carry it through life to a greater or less degree. Every one who has dealings with her as undependable. It is one of the finest things in the world to be regarded as dependable. "A promise is a debt."

I read that if a man of a certain nationality promised he would meet you in a remote place six months hence, at a certain hour of a certain day, you need not give another thought to it, for you would find him waiting for you.

With regards to obedience, it is so much easier to do things quickly without thought of our own dignity. When I was a probationer there were only three nurses retained in each ward. The

Head Nurse and the Junior "made up" one side and the senior the other side. The Head Nurse had the personal care of the sickest patients, an invaluable experience. When I entered as probationer there was a Junior for a few days who helped in other things but I was placed with the Head Nurse whom I liked very much. After the beds were made I collected the discarded linen and took it to the hamper to count. After a few days the Junior came to me, meaning to be kind, and said: "If I were you I would refuse to pick up clothes when they were thrown on the floor." After thinking it over I decided it would be a much smaller thing not to pick them up than to pick them up, and continued to do so.

Every time we accept discipline it is one step up the ladder. I shall always feel so grateful for that training in the New York Hospital, which taught us to put aside the thought of self, and like soldiers obey the call to duty, not regarding it as a sacrifice but as a pleasure, and it is a good Hospital which gives such training.

One Ash Wednesday morning my Head Nurse told me I was to have the afternoon off, but later word came from the office that another nurse who had but one assistant had asked for me and I was to spend the afternoon in her ward. My Head Nurse was indignant as that was the only afternoon she could give me, and said I must go to the office and explain. But as Lent is the time for self-denial it seemed a poor way to begin it and I went to the other ward and worked hard all the afternoon, and the Head Nurse was very grateful. I remember my afternoon with the greatest pleasure. If I had rebelled it would have been a painful thing to remember all my life.

Every experience helps in other things, for when I was Head Nurse my ward was very heavy, my Senior went to the Dispensary three afternoons a week, and if an extra nurse was needed anywhere on one of the other three afternoons, my afternoons off were rare, as one of my nurses was always taken; but it never seemed hard because one is always learning when working.

The House Doctor used to say "every patient has one chance in a thousand and we must work for that," and the satisfaction of seeing patients leave on their feet was worth far more than "time off."

I always had the finest examples among the nurses to learn from, and owe them a debt of gratitude for their part of my training.

As a Graduate Nurse of the New York Hospital I shall always feel that I have received what no other profession could give. A nurse can make her knowledge useful to the end of her life and find great happiness in doing so.

A GRADUATE NURSE.

My dear Miss Muirheid:

I arrived at Turks Islands at 2.30 o'clock in the morning of June 29th. The sea was calm and silvery beneath a brilliant moon which was occasionally overshadowed by fleecy clouds.

Grand Turk, the port and local government seat of these islands, has no harbor or dock, so the ship lay off a safe distance from land and we went ashore in a small boat. Miss Stubbs was

there to meet me. Not a sound was heard in the moonlit village as we walked the sandy road to our stopping place for the night. There was no use thinking of sleep so we chatted until dawn.

The houses with their red roofs, the gorgeous borage and hibiscus, and the white sandy roads were beautiful in the soft moonlight. The dawn is very short in this latitude and soon the sun was up and the village all astir, for these people begin their day with the sun.

The population of these islands is chiefly black, and they are a picturesque people with their clothes of every color, large hats and barefeet. While nearly all the men and children and some women go barefoot they will not go to church without stockings.

In the afternoon of the same day we left Grand Turk for East Harbor, which lies about twenty miles away. A sail of three and a half hours brought us across. The boat crews are all black and are excellent sailors.

East Harbor is more beautiful than Grand Turk. It has a fine natural harbor guarded by two rocky isles, and in the distance are hills covered with dense brush. There are not many large trees and the cocoanut has become diseased and is fast dying out.

Great numbers of land and water birds are about, but with the exception of the yellow warbler they have no sweet songs. I was very much surprised to find the yellow warbler here in such large numbers. It is the only familiar bird I have seen, and in the evening its delicate warble takes me back to the "Ramble" and springtime. A beautiful sight is a number of flamingoes standing in a pond in the evening light.

The climate is delightful. We are in the course of the trade winds, which seem never to stop blowing. Can you imagine a summer near the tropics and never feeling hot? There are, however, occasional reminders of a New York summer. The heavy rains bring out the mosquitoes in great numbers but fortunately the wind soon carries most of them away. I am told that this is an unusually rainy July.

The rain is particularly bad for salt-making, which is the chief industry of the islands. The salt is made from sea water by a process of open air evaporation. The salt as it comes from the ponds is very coarse and is used mostly by meat packers. Some of the salt is ground into a finer grade, about like the ice cream salt we use at home, and is used in the fisheries. Huge mounds of salt are piled along the shore near the wharves and from a distance they look like hills of snow. Most of the salt is shipped to the States and to Canada.

The natives must have feet like horn because they stand barefoot in the salt all day and do not seem to mind it. They work from sunrise until five in the afternoon with one hour off for breakfast at 10:30, for a wage which would cause a revolution at home. But when the cost of living is compared with that of the North, the wages are very fair. They are paid part in money and part in commodities. The proprietors have a store in connection with their estate and give their laborers orders on it.

The rocky formation on the islands affords little opportunity for agriculture; practically all food is imported. Hominy and peas alternated with peas and hominy seems to be the diet preferred by the blacks.

With the exception of a few white stone houses the people live in low wooden cottages weathered to a soft grey by the wind and sun and many have roofs painted red and shutters green. The kerosene lamp is used for lighting. No such luxuries as electricity, gas, telephone or automobile. Burdens of every description are carried on the head. Even small children can be seen carrying pails of water as large as themselves in this manner.

The law requires the children to attend school until they reach the age of fourteen. It seems to be a waste of time with many of them. While the colored people belong as a rule to what I might call the common people, there are some who are well educated, in the Island of Jamaica.

I sometimes wish I had a camera capable of registering colors; particularly when a small sailing vessel comes from Santo Domingo or Hayti with a cargo of fruit and vegetables for sale. The people flock to the wharf to buy. Donkey carts are loaded with oranges, bananas, mangoes, various vegetables, and sugar cane which sticks out at every possible angle. Such a picture. Vogue should have a representative here to gather ideas for its fashions.

The day draws near its close with sunsets beyond my power of description. The turquoise blue of the sea and clouds of brightest gold melting into delicate rose, blue, and mauve; and before the light has entirely gone the stars appear and I gaze at the Dipper which is pointing toward Home.

Sincerely,

M. T. G., 1909.

Miss Verna Smith wrote Miss Fenimore in a very interesting manner of the work she has been doing this summer.

"I volunteered my services for ten days to the Neighborhood Northern Association in running their Star Fresh Air Camp at Oakville, Canada. I left the Union station, Toronto, with 125 mothers and children and babies in tow, got them settled on a train by the order of one of the trained mothers at Camp. My duties the first afternoon and evening were first helping to get every one settled in their tents, bedding distributed, etc.

"The regular work began next day, giving out soap, hot water to mothers, taking entire charge of mothers from 10 to 12 P. M., talking or reading to them and helping serve their meals. In the afternoon I had to see that the rest hour was enforced from 2:30 to 3:30 P. M.; keep all the children in their tents from 3:30 to 4:30 P. M.; all who wanted to, went in bathing. I had to watch them on the beach. After supper we played games with the children and later had the Mothers' Hour. The work varied a little each day, as you have time off either morning, afternoon or evening; two or three mother's are "on duty" at a time.

"The Camp is on the Lake Shore and we all sleep in tents. We have our meals in a covered pavilion with a verandah around three sides. It is all most interesting work."

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(Copied from the 117th Annual Report, 1887)

The New York Hospital, one of the oldest institutions of its kind in America, received its charter of incorporation from George III of England, on the 13th day of June, 1771, under the title of The Society of the Hospital in the City of New York in America; subsequently, by an act of the Legislature in 1810, the title was changed to The Society of the New York Hospital.

According to a medical discourse delivered by Dr. Middleton in Kings (now Columbia) College, on the 3d of November, 1769, it appears that the first suggestion relative to the establishment of a hospital was made by Dr. Bard, a gentleman distinguished not only for his professional skill and learning, but for his zeal and success in founding and building up the scientific, charitable and medical institutions of New York.

In 1773 the Governors of the Hospital purchased from Mrs. Barclay and Mr. Rutgers five acres of ground, bounded by Broadway, Church, Worth and Duane Streets, for the erection of a suitable edifice. A plan of the building having been procured by Dr. Jones, the foundation was laid on the 27th of July, 1773, but on the 28th of February, 1775, when it was about completed, the building accidentally took fire and was nearly consumed. By this misfortune the Society suffered the loss of £7,000, and the execution of their benevolent plan would have been thereby wholly frustrated had not the Legislature in 1775 granted the sum of four thousand pounds for rebuilding the house and repairing the loss sustained. But the War of Independence, which commenced the same year, prevented the completion of the edifice. During the war the building was occupied by British and Hessian soldiers as barracks and occasionally as a hospital.

The effects of the war on the condition of the city and the general derangement of affairs prevented any attention to the institution for some years, and, as appears in a Centenary Address of the late James W. Beekman, the hospital first opened its doors for the reception of patients January 3d, 1791.

The treatment of patients suffering from mental disorder has always been a part of the work of the society, and these patients were received and treated in the Hospital Buildings until they so increased in numbers that it became necessary to separate them from the other patients.

The Governors for that purpose, in 1816, purchased a farm at Bloomingdale, some six miles from the city, upon which to erect a suitable building for the insane. The cornerstone of this building was laid on the 7th of May, 1816, and the edifice was completed and occupied in 1821 and named the Bloomingdale Asylum.



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According to the opinion of the National Adjutant of the American Legion, any nurse who served in the U. S. Army, Navy or U. S. Marine Corps, is eligible to membership in the Legion, if this service was any time between April, 1917, and November, 1918.

Jane A. Delano Post No. 344 was organized by Mrs. P. Rogers, now in China, and fully 75 per cent of the charter members were New York hospital nurses. The nurses' post is very active in the Legion work, but the New York graduates are not very much in evidence, probably because there are so many Canadians who did not know they were eligible. It is to be hoped that more will join. To do so, make application to Miss Emily Clatworthy, Chairman of Credential Committee, 780 Madison Ave. When the application card is returned to you, answer the first question by stating you served with the U. S. Army during the period of your service.

The New York State Convention is to be held at Jamestown the 23d and 24th of September, and Miss Gertrude F. Robinson and Miss A. B. Duncan were delegates. A third from the Post was elected, but could not serve. The election of three delegates goes to show that the Nurses' Post is "making good" in the N. Y. County Organization work. Join and help swell our numbers, which as yet have not been beaten.

PERSONALS

Miss Irene Sutcliffe and her sisters have spent the summer at the "Spinsters" in Mountainville, N. Y. Miss Gillette and Miss MacDiarmid had an enjoyable visit with Miss Sutcliffe in August.

Misses Reutinger, Lindgren, McCrae, Denike and Deacon spent a most enjoyable vacation at Ocean Point, Maine.

Miss Marietta Wilsey, our Treasurer, spent an enjoyable vacation on the Great Lakes.

Miss Frances Bell, 1913, spent her vacation at her home in Nova Scotia.

Miss Katherine Moore, 1903, from Los Angeles, Cal., spent August at the Club.

Miss Helena Stewart, 1904, spent a week in August at the Club.

Misses Silva and Seeley, 1904, spent a very enjoyable two weeks in August in Bermuda.

Miss Nettie Nudel, 1906, spent her vacation at her home in Toronto.

Miss Olive MacDougal, 1907, spent her vacation at her home in Galt, Canada.

Deep sympathy is extended to Miss Bertha Ruddick, Class 1911, in the death of her mother.

Mrs. E. T. Lewis, nee Helen Baughman, Class 1915, is now residing in Cincinnati. She has three lovely sons.

Miss Kenneally, Class 1915, was taken suddenly ill at her work at the Astor Hotel in June. She developed pneumonia rapidly but made a splendid recovery we are happy to say and spent her vacation at Lake Placid. Miss Lena Keely substituted for Miss Kenneally during her absence.

Miss E. O. Price, 1893, 166 Grace St., Richmond, Virginia. paid a flying visit to the club on Sept. 1st.

Miss Amy Holmes, 1896, is sailing for England in October to remain two months.

Miss Ethel E. Fenemore spent her vacation at Pictou, Ont., Canada.

Miss Jordan spent her vacation at Ocean Point, Maine.

Miss Robinson spent her vacation at Stoney Lake, Peterboro. Can.

Miss Moffatt at Stonington, Conn., and Canada.

Miss Rough spent her vacation in Montreal in May.

Miss Lund spent her vacation at Arm-by-the-Sea in August.

Miss Secord visited at her home in Toronto, Can., during July.

Miss Edith Jones spent the month of August at home. Westfield, N. Y.

Miss Emmett spent her vacation at home in Toronto during May.

Miss Warringer visited in the Catskills at Madeleine, N. Y.

Miss Walton spent the month of September in Toronto, Canada.

Miss Stevens visited at Gananogue, Ont., Canada.

Miss Teresa Carpenter, 1920, spent her vacation in Horicon, N. Y.

Miss O'Brien, Class 1920, returned to the Club, July 23rd having spent many weeks at her home in Montreal.

Miss Hewitt, Class 1918, spent her vacation in the city, taking short trips here and there.

Miss Susie Armstrong and Miss Buchan, Class 1902, spent vacations in Canada and Muskoka Lakes.

Miss Sara Woodward, 1913, has accepted a position in Social Service Work, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Miss McBeth, 1915, has accepted a position at Cleveland. Bradley Co., Tenn.

Misses Esther and Cora Long, 1920, left for their vacations in Brantford, Ont., Canada, on July 20th.

Miss Himes, Class 1918, spent her vacation in Troy, N. Y.

Miss G. Nicholson, 1911, sailed July 30th for Syria to do Child Welfare Work.

Miss Nina Graham, 1913, and her sister, have just returned from Paris, where they have been visiting Mme. Dugas (nec Matilda Graham, class 1900.

Miss Janet Orr has finished relieving for the summer vacation at the Orthopaedic Hospital.

Miss Mildred Young returned to her home in Nova Scotia for her vacation with her family.

Mrs. Mark Ward (Miss Rathbun) has been spending the summer at Cape Cod with her family. Dr. Ward is expected to return to this country soon from Harpoot, Turkey.

Miss Marjorie Moore spent the month of August at Lake Sunapee, New Hampshire.

Miss Juanita Woods has accepted the position as director of Instructive Visiting Nurse Association, 223 South Cherry St., Richmond, Va. She will live in the Settlement House and have a staff of 18 nurses, the work covering the city.

Mrs. Lillian Shurteff, 1918, spent her vacation in Murray Bay, Can.

Miss Trimpi, Class 1913, spent her vacation at Avon-by-the-Sea.

Miss Robert Lee Cromwell, and Miss Emma Nicodemus, 1908, spent a very pleasant vacation at Crystal Lake, Middleborough, New York.

Miss Helen Bronson, 1915, had a very pleasant trip of two

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The nurses will please send their contributions by
October 15th, 1921, to the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

K. MacDIARMID, *Chairman*

or three weeks on the Great Lakes, visiting Miss Helen Smith in Toronto on her return.

Miss Irene Curley, 1916, spent the month of August with Miss Vera Smith, 1906, also some time with Anna Pennington at their summer home.

Miss Anderberg, 1915, spent her vacation in New York State and Canada.

Miss Ann Hatton, 1900, spent a part of her vacation in Brewster Park, Mass., with her classmate Mrs. Brown, the remainder with friends at Scarborough Beach, Maine.

Miss Lillian Wilson, left for her vacation July 18th motoring with friends to her home.

Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, 1896, spent her vacation at Shelter Island Heights, N. Y.

Miss Betty Feagles, 1920, spent a very pleasant vacation camping in Wayside, Saratoga Lake, N. Y.

Miss Phymister, 1905, left for her vacation July 18th to be spent at Green Gables, Hudson Heights.

Mrs. Marks, nee Lillian Thompson, 1906, paid her first visit to the Club on July 15th and was much impressed by the comfortable homelike atmosphere.

Miss Eleanor Hildick, 1918, spent a part of her vacation at Avon-by-the-Sea and the remainder with her classmate, Mrs. Fraser.

Miss Tallcott, 1918, spent her vacation at Long Lake, N. Y.

Miss Helen Damn, 1918, and Miss Helen Seymour, 1918, spent their vacations in Ottawa, Ill.

Mrs. Van Huzon spent a very pleasant vacation in Wooster, N. Y.

Miss Hilda Rutherford left for an extended vacation in Canada July 14th.

Miss Finney, 1900, spent her vacation in Toronto, where she was joined by her sister from Vancouver.

Miss Hornby left for her summer outing in Dorchester, Mass., on July 1st.

Miss Christine Harvey, 1913, has accepted a position at the Equitable Life Insurance Co. for the summer.

Miss Lillian Rowe, 1915, relieved Miss Florence Nash at Kerhonkson, N. Y., for her vacation.

Miss Ludlam, 1917, spent her vacation in Cleveland, O.

Miss Bertha Lehmkuhl, 1912, Supervisor of Nurses of the Orthopedic Hospital spent her vacation at Big Moose Lake, Adirondacks.

Miss Jessie King, 1920, and Miss Isabel Cerny, 1920, spent a very pleasant vacation together at Camp Inkowa, Greenwood Lake, N. Y.

Miss Irene Buckland, 1918, left for a long vacation June 28th for her home in Coaticook, Canada.

Miss Vera Playter, Class 1915, had charge of the Private Patients Operating Room for the month of July, spending the month of August at her home in New Market, Canada.

Miss Emma Slack, Class 1914, was Night Supervisor of the hospital for the months of July and August. Miss Slack sailed on September 10th to do Red Cross work in Serbia.

Miss Elsie Davies, 1910, has accepted the position of Night Supervisor of the Hospital.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Jules Collier, nee M. McKay, 1917, in the loss of her sister.

Sympathy is extended to Miss Benz, 1894, in the loss of her sister.

Miss Larkin, 1918, has accepted a position at Columbia College.

Mrs. Sands, 1908, and her sister Miss Nash, spent their vacation in Bath, Canada.

Miss Binns, 1918, left for her vacation in Canada, July 7th.

Mrs. Marquis, 1917, spent her vacation at her home. St. John, Halifax.

Mrs. Pauline Jordan, 1914, is with the Tiflis Unit in the Far East, Constantinople, Turkey.

Misses Amy Wright and Edith Gouinlock, 1919, left for their summer vacation in Canada, July 12th.

Miss Mabel Starr, 1918, will spend her vacation at Cornwall, Conn., and Toronto, Canada.

Mrs. Florence Dakin, 1902, spent her vacation in Byfield, Mass.

Mrs. Ethel Hoskings, 1905, spent her vacation in Goderich, Can., where she met her old room-mate, Miss Rose and renewed old times.

Miss Alice Richardson is sailing for America on Sept. 27.

Miss Florence Creighton, 1904, spent her holiday in Maine.

Miss Golding spent part of her vacation in Lakewood, New Jersey and visiting Miss Jane Wright, at Rome, N. Y.

The Toronto Exhibition is a meeting ground of many happy surprises. Misses Irene Curley, Jane Hafer, Eva Pennington, and Esther Gillies of the Class of 1916, met Miss Verna Smith and had luncheon at the Toronto Graduate Nurses tent. This has been a successful means of helping to raise funds for a new club house for Toronto nurses. Later in the afternoon, Lillian Wilson joined the party and others saw Mrs. Trow and Miss Edith Gonniloch. Miss Verna Smith had a small tea for her guests, Miss Curley and Miss Hafer, Miss Walton, Miss Daisy Walton and Miss Nudell being present.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Gillies (nee Abigail Craig, 1915), August, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rolston, 1914, St. Vincents Hospital, August 17th, 1921, a son. Los Angeles, Cal.

To Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fraser (nee Gertrude Wright, 1918), June 21st, 1921, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

In July, Margaret MacKay, 1917, to Jules Collier.

On Sept. 1st, Miss Edith V. Williams, 1917, to Robert Henry Anderson.

Miss Ruth Frasin, (1915) September 6th, 1921, in Mexico City, to Mr. John Kennedy.

DEATHS

Entered into rest at the New York Hospital, Aug 19th, after a long illness, patiently borne, Margaret M. Ryerson, class of 1896.

Except for the last two years, when Miss Ryerson was the beloved Social worker for the American Telegraph Co., she was a representative Private Duty Nurse, having nursed in the families of several of our Governors, Mr. Townsend, Mr. Brown and others.

Miss Ryerson nursed Rudyard Kipling, and one of her most treasured possessions is a copy of the Rules and Regulations, for Nurses, (once sent out by our Registry Office at the Hospital) with comments written by Mr. Kipling.

Miss Ryerson was buried in Newton, New Jersey, and will be greatly missed by her large circle of friends.

FLORENCE CAMPBELL, DIED OCTOBER 18, 1918.

The funeral of Miss Florence Campbell took place at her home in Suffern, N. Y., on Thursday afternoon June 23rd at 3 o'clock. Her body arrived on a naval transport on Monday and was accompanied to her home by an escort of the New York Hospital Post 720 of the American Legion. A military escort as well as the family, met the train and took Miss Campbell to her home where religious services were held. She was then taken to the Cemetery at Hohokus, N. J., where she was buried with full military honors, the service being conducted by the American Legion Post of Suffern.

Among the many beautiful flowers were emblems from the New York Hospital Post 720 and the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital.

Miss Campbell was a member of the Class of 1916 and accompanied the New York Hospital Unit to France, in August, 1917, where she was a member of Base Hospital No. 9, situated at Bittray Chateauoux. She died of influenza while on leave at Nice, in October, 1918. Miss Campbell had many friends among the nurses and was beloved by everyone at the hospital in France. Her death came as a great shock to all and left a vacancy that could never be filled.

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And the men who shirked whenever they could,
Are bossed by the man whose work made good.
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Who neither labor nor trouble shirks;
Who uses his hands, his head, his eyes—
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Think that you can, and you will.
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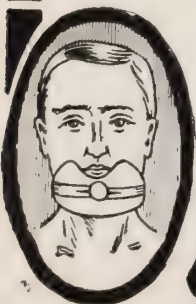
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When they had finished that the Board of Trustees decided to have the window frames in the front of the house painted, also the elevator shaft and car and extra rooms, making the total paid for painting \$4,512.

As we are obliged to make our "Report" January first, which will be for only ten months, it is most important that the nurses pay all their indebtedness before December 15.

Would also like to report that we had the:

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\$3.72 balance remaining of the \$200; the amount given the Club April 14, 1920, by the Alumnae Association for necessary furnishing.

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Superintendent

MEETINGS

The regular monthly meetings of the Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses are held at 8 p. m., the third Thursday of each month at St. Stephen's Church, West 69th Street, near Broadway. Dr. Leagle, Chaplain. All nurses are invited to these meetings.

Meetings of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street, at 8 P. M. Please be prompt.

Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the first Thursday of every month at 8 P. M. at the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

The regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Club on October 13 at 8 P. M.

13 holding office, but no one was very sure of the subject, and no action was taken.

The November meeting of the Association was held at the Club on November 10, at 8 P. M.

Miss Muirheid read the account of the State meeting held in Utica, a detailed synopsis appearing elsewhere in the News.

The following members were elected on the Nomination Committee: Miss Clara Green, Miss Abbie Robinson, Mrs. Hosking, Miss Muirheid, Miss Bower.

Miss Macdiarmid reported that the proceeds from the rummage sale amounted to \$814.41. This sale was for the benefit of the Fund for Sick Nurses.

B. D. L. Southerland Junior High School Public School
No. 3, Manhattan, 420 Hudson Street, New York.
Loretto M. Rochester, Principal, June 30, 1921.

Mr. Edward W. Sheldon, President New York Hospital, 6 West 16th Street, New York.

Dear Sir: This enclosed check for three hundred dollars is presented to New York Hospital with greetings and appreciation by the teachers and pupils of the B. D. L. Southerland Junior High School (P. S. 3 Manhattan), as a memorial to our late and greatly beloved friend, Miss Jennie M. Whitelaw, graduate of the New York Hospital Training School for Nurses, and Teacher of Ungraded Class of the school.

It is our desire that this sum of money be devoted to meeting the expenses of up-keep for a bed in the Children's Ward of the Hospital for the coming year.

We hope we may renew this subscription next year and we wish it were within our ability to permanently endow a bed in memory of Miss Whitelaw, but since we cannot do that, we hope that our gift will be accepted as evidence of our appreciation of the magnificent work accomplished by the woman whose friendship and influence both you of the hospital and we of the school enjoyed.

In the fall, I hope to send you a reprint of an article written by Miss Whitelaw, telling of the work inaugurated under the

REPORTS

REPORT OF THE RUMMAGE SALE

The nurses who are especially interested in the Sick Fund will be glad to know the result of the Rummage Sale. Eight hundred and forty dollars as the first attempt to enlarge the funds has been so successful owing to the co-operation and helpfulness of the nurses and their friends.

K. MACDIARMID, Chairman.

By checks.....	\$200.00
Sales	739.62
Total	\$939.62
Expenditures	99.62
Balance	\$840.00

An itemized list of donors is on file with the treasurer, Emma Benz.

May the good work started continue till the Fund for Sick Nurses is of such substantial strength as to remove all fear regarding its existence.

November 17, 1921.

REPORT OF DELEGATE

"Report of the official delegate to the annual meeting of the New York State organizations of Nurses, which was held at Hotel Utica, Utica, New York, October 25 to 27, 1921. It being the 20th annual meeting of the State nurses, the 12th annual meeting of the State League, and the 6th annual meeting of the Public Health.

ELECT OFFICERS

The Public Health Nursing Organization elected the following officers: Miss Mary Carter Nelson of the Broome County Health Association of Binghamton, president; Miss Annie Humphrey of the Atlantic Division of the American Red Cross of New York vice president; Miss Elizabeth Platt of the Peekskill Welfare Station, secretary; Mathilde S. Kuhlman, director of public health nursing at Albany, re-elected treasurer; Mrs. Bertha Mascot, supervising nurse, State Department of Education, director; Dr. Lee K. Frankel of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York was elected the honorary member for this year.

The League of Nursing Education elected the following officers for the coming year: Miss E. A. Greener of Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York, re-elected the president of the organization at the election of officers. Other officers chosen for the

year were: Vice president, Miss Nancy E. Cadmus of New York; secretary, Miss Jessie Murdock, New York; treasurer, Miss Gertrude Garron of Rochester; chairman of educational committee, Miss Elizabeth Burgess of Albany; chairman of nominating committee, Miss Jessie Buck of Buffalo, and chairman of the credentials committee, Miss Theadora Le Febvre of New York.

Miss Alice Gilman was re-elected president of the New York State Association. Agnes S. Ward re-elected first vice president. Florence M. Johnson of New York, re-elected second vice president. Julia W. Kline of Brooklyn, re-elected secretary. Louise R. Sherwood of Syracuse, elected treasurer.

Director for one year, Miss Katherine De Witt, co-editor of the American Journal of Nursing, Rochester. Directors for three years, Miss Anna Hansen, Buffalo; Miss Littlefield of Albany; Miss Beatrice Bamber, of New York, and Edna Gorton of Rochester, were elected to the Nurse Board of Examinations.

MISS OLMSTED SPEAKS

Miss Sarah Olmsted, R. N., of the Oswego Normal College, was the first speaker at the sessions of public health nurses' meetings. She talked about the "Health Teacher's Relation to Educational Work." Miss Olmsted spoke of the difficulties young folks labor under in this age to preserve their health. Improper foods, overcrowding in the schools, motion pictures which injure the eyes, and various other obstacles which health education has to combat and overcome. She told of further plans to instruct teachers in health rules.

Dr. W. A. Sawyer, medical director of the Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, talked of "The Functions of the Public Health Nurse in Industry." He was followed on the program by Mrs. F. P. Brockway, R. N., of New York, the first nurse to have been graduated from the Johns Hospital training school for nurses, and whose daughter was graduated from the same institution a few days ago.

Mrs. Brockway declared that there isn't a nurse who has tired of private nursing but believes herself especially chosen by God to be an industrial nurse, whereas all who know about such things realize that special training is necessary to fill such positions.

The joint session of the New York State organizations of nurses was held October 25 at 8 P. M., opening with community singing, led by Dr. Cavillo. The innovation by Dr. Dodge of Bethany Church, followed by Ward B. Evans, Commissioner of Charities, delivering the address of welcome on behalf of the city in the absence of the Mayor, James K. O'Connor.

Miss Ida Butcher, secretary of the New Century Club of Utica, welcomed the nurses on behalf of the Woman's Club of Utica. During her address she characterized the nurses as the Nation's Guardians of Health and as workers who labor that the demands for their services might decrease rather than increase as is the case in many callings. Miss Butcher also stated that in welcoming them to the city she was extending the hospitality of not the pent up city symbolized by their seal, but of the city which had moved the river and grown over the hill.

Miss Goodrich responded to the address of welcome replete with constructive criticism, enlightenment and commendation she made veiled reference, apparently to institutions which were a source of pride to no city. When she stated in response to Miss Butcher's invitation to visit local institutions, "Yes, we are going to visit your local hospitals, schools, churches and local sanitariums, and I know we will find some which in the not far distant future should be razed to the ground. There were close to 600 present at the joint session when Miss Greener, president of the New York State League of Nursing Education rapped for order after the response to Miss Butcher's address of welcome.

Miss Amy Hillard, superintendent of Samaritan Hospital, Troy, spoke on the responsibilities of hospital boards, of managers and of the community to school nursing. In her talk she urged better financial co-operation with hospital training schools, emphasizing their importance to the community.

The report of the New York State Nurse Examiners was read by Miss Elizabeth Burgess, secretary of the board. Miss Burgess spoke at great length—higher training for sick care advocated—complete high school study, plus nursing education. Higher degree of training and more stringent enforcement of the rules and qualifications as regards the principals of a nurses training school. Immediately following was an address on "How Shall the Small Hospital Deal with Its Teaching Problems?" by Miss Ada Eldridge, and its plan for hospital superintendents prepared by the Board of Education. The resolution stipulates the numerous qualifications necessary for a principal of training school. General education shall be not less than four years of high school, or its equivalent. The professional shall be a registered nurse, and a graduate of a school of recognized standing and shall have had experience in training school methods, preferably those of assistant to the principal and instructor. Besides the resolutions adopted the League also voted to hold four institutes during the summer months at Rochester, Albany, Buffalo and New York, which include instruction for a period of seven to ten days in hospital administration, the principles of teaching, together with carefully planned visits to hospitals and class rooms.

Miss Emma J. Jones, superintendent of the Infants' Summer Hospital of Rochester, spoke on "Suggestions for Co-operation of Schools of Nursing in Meeting Problems of the Private Duty Nurse." In her talk, she emphasized the fact that the nursing organizations do not attempt to function as unions by stipulating certain wages for certain hours of work. She pointed out that the organizations of nurses are not for the purpose of demanding highest monetary remuneration possible, but that the nurse is consecrated to the ideals of her profession rather than the gain in worldly goods it may bring her.

Miss Graham, chairman of the Red Cross Division for Relief of Sick Nurses, read the report of this State. This fund is very useful and extremely necessary to nurses who are ill. Miss Golding read extracts from several very pathetic letters from nurses making a silent appeal. A deep impression was made, and motion was made that a hat be passed—it was well received and was well filled before it had half made the rounds. Letters were also read from the nurses expressing their deep gratitude for the aid.

On Wednesday afternoon numbers of nurses were taken on a sight seeing tour of Utica and surrounding suburbs, following a busy session in the ball room of the hotel. The cars were loaned by the automobile clubs of the city (Kiwanis, Rotary and Exchange clubs). Many points of interest were visited and the perfect weather made the trip a very enjoyable one.

The banquet that followed the formal reception in the English room was a big success, more than 400 nurses and medical workers were in attendance. The nurses of District No. 7 were the hostesses of the occasion and the visiting nurses were the guests. Special program of music was rendered. Dr. Cavillo rendered a number of solos and led the community singing. Featuring the closing session was an address of a practical plan for centralizing schools for nurses as applicable to schools in New York State by Miss Anna Goodrich of the Henry Street Settlement. Miss Goodrich deplored the lack of interest taken in nursing and the "Don't Care" attitude of the public as regards the conserving of their health. During her talk she said the community fails to realize that health is a matter of business to which business methods should be applied. There should be a budget of community health work and she urged the community to a health campaign, thus bringing the people to the great importance of health. Miss Goodrich showed charts that had been carefully prepared of statistics—also typewritten sheets were passed through the gathering to show the development of a central school of nursing in an industrial town in Wisconsin prepared by two students—one to be given each delegate. New York was selected as the convention city for the combined sessions in October, 1922. The New York Hospital nurses present were Mrs. Twiss, Miss Golding, Miss Goodrich, Florence Johnson, Miss Jordan, Miss

Finch, and Miss Parsons, Miss Sanborn, Miss Olmstead, Miss Lydia Anderson, and the delegate.

The greater part of the meetings were held in the ball room approaches to which were made more interesting to the visitors by displays of almost everything which has to do with the nursing world. The advertisers of the American Journal of Nursing holding the exhibit.

I cannot tell you of the deep impression made upon your delegate of the spirit of helpfulness—the spirit of comradeship and fellowship throughout the convention—no criticism of your faults only to aid them. The words “we will gladly show you” were frequently heard. Words fail me to thank you for my enjoyable time and the knowledge I gained.

I will close by repeating one of the Community songs sung.

TUNE “THE LONG, LONG TRAIL

“There’s a long, loud call a’sounding,
For the girl that’s worth while
To teach mothers, girls and children
To keep well and smile.
There are many places waiting
Won’t you make my dreams come true?
Say today that you’ll be going
And we’ll find the place for you.

“There are babies dying daily,
Mothers by the score.
There are T. B. patients wasting
Crippled children we deplore.
There are mental cases pending
There are teeth and tonsils too.
Hear the cry, ‘Come help the needy,
We are waiting all for you.’

“Hark! The High School Girls are coming
Into the work of our dreams
Where the night nurse is on duty
And the superintendent beams
There is plenty time off duty
Fun and recreation too;
For the day has come when nursing
Is the work we love to do.”

(Signed) LILLIAN MUIRHEID.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Maurice Sanborne (nee Lelia Huyck, 1908), has moved from Hamilton, Canada, to Hollis, Long Island.

Mrs. E. Burk Wood (nee Lou Smellie, 1908), has moved from Winnipeg, Canada, to Chicago, Illinois.

Miss Ohle Gill (1901), superintendent of the Training School, Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Michigan, spent a week of her vacation at the Club in November.

Miss Nelly McCrae (1901), has accepted the position of Directress of Nurses at the Italian Hospital.

Miss Sarah Gowan (1901) is in charge of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Rest Room at Long Island City.

Miss Helen Talcott has resigned from her position at the Pennsylvania Hotel Hospital and has joined the private duty nursing ranks.

Miss Marie Frasius (1915) spent the month of November in Napperville, Illinois, on her vacation.

Miss Winants, Miss Lehmkuhl, Miss Harvey, Miss Anderberg, Mrs. Shurteleff and Mrs. Hills have all been operated on recently at the New York Hospital.

Our nurses in Peking, China, are divided up in the following manner: Miss Ethel Robinson, in charge of the Private Patients' Building; Mrs. G. P. Rogers, night superintendent; Miss Mabel Tom, admitting officer; Miss Dorothy Jacobus, in charge of one of the wards; Miss Helen Holland, head anaesthetist.

Miss Mary Lloyd Grayson was married to Major Wallace Copeland Philloon, October 20, 1921, at the Legation in Peking. The major is a military attache and has two more years to serve at his present post. The engagement was announced at a dinner party of twenty-four given by Colonel and Mrs. Dysdale. Colonel Dysdale is Major Philloon's chief. Among the guests were Mr. Shuman, the new member, and his two daughters, and others of the official Legation family.

Mrs. Rogers has been spending her vacation in Shih Kia Chuang, in the interior, visiting American friends. Miss Robinson and Miss Tom spent theirs in Japan. Mrs. Rogers writes "we have really had a wonderful experience—last year in the language school and sight seeing; this year, working with the Chinese. We have just had our opening and our academic procession was most impressive with people in it from all the great universities of the world."

"During the week we were all invited to a garden party given by the President of China."

"We are all mighty glad to get the Alumnae News and we share it with Miss Houston, whom we see occasionally. Miss Edith Weaver has just joined our staff temporarily."

Miss Rose Mackie (1909) spent the summer in Locust, N. J. She is very much interested in raising large vegetables.

Miss Verna Smith (1906) returned to the Club on October 28 for the winter.

Miss Janet M. Rogers (1917) and Miss Florence Murphy (1917) have taken positions in Dr. Charles F. Stokes' office, 6 West 77th Street.

Miss Alice Richardson (1906) has returned to the club from her trip overseas.

Miss Marian Proctor (1914) has resigned her position in the public health work in Brooklyn and will be Miss Gillette's assistant in the office at the club, Miss Fenemore taking up private duty on November 21.

On the Founders' Day Celebration, October 7, at Mt. Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass., Dean Florence Purling, who presided at the exercises in the absence of President Mary E. Wooley, conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Science upon Miss Annie Warburton Goodrich and Miss Julia Catherine Stimson, each having been very active in the Army School of Nursing.

Miss Dorothy Felt (1918) spent the month of August in Maine.

A letter from Miss Jean Melville (1918) from Los Angeles states that she is well and enjoying California very much.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Mary Holland, our recording secretary, in the sudden death of her mother. Also to Mrs. Alfred Coates (nee Miss Kate Clarke, 1886), in the death of her husband. Also to Miss Mary Young and to Mrs. Aycrigg (nee Florence Young, 1901), in the death of their mother.

Miss Delia Baker (1886) has been ill with heart trouble in the Homeopathic Hospital, Syracuse, N. Y., for a long time. A little cheering note or a postal would be of great help.

Mrs. W. J. Evans (nee Molly McCurdy, 1901), has been confined to her bed for a long time with heart trouble.

Miss Lucille Lucas (1917) will make her home in California.

Miss Jane Hafer (1916) received a linen shower by mail, from each one of her classmates on November 22.

Mrs. N. E. Hair (1910) has accepted a social service position in Lakewood, N. J.

Miss Irene Curley (1916) will spend a short time at the Club this winter.

A linen shower was given at the home of Mrs. Clarke (nee Fortesque, 1918) to Miss Helen Seymour (1918) by her classmates on November 23. A great deal of fun was caused by a Jack Horner pie.

Miss Lillian Rowe relieved Miss Nash at Kerhonkson for a vacation of two weeks the latter part of November.

Our sympathy is extended to Miss Agnes Fletcher (1900). She fell in front of an automobile on her way home from duty, sustaining a fracture of knee.

Miss Eva Pennington (1916) of Dundas, Canada, expects to visit classmates in New York in January.

Mrs. John D. Gould (nee Miss Cox, 1916) has recently moved to Utica, N. Y., where her husband holds a government position.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Sarai Woodward (1913) in the death of her father.

The 150th anniversary exercises were held in Trinity Church on October 26. Mr. Elihu Root, Mr. Edward M. Sheldon, president of the Board of Governors, and Governor Miller addressed the audience. A very impressive service was largely attended.

An exhibition was given at the New York Public Library, Fifth Avenue and 42d Street, during the months of November and December of the presidents and attending surgeons of the Society of the New York Hospital. Many interesting articles, pictures and instruments of the early days were shown in celebration of the 150th anniversary.

Mrs. Mary Agnes Smith, 1897, Superintendent of the Babies Hospital, has just returned from a long vacation overseas.

The New York City League for Nursing Education greatly appreciated the privilege of using the Club rooms on November 7, for the entertainment of Miss Carolyn Gray. Miss Gray has been obliged to resign the presidency of the League, to enter a new field of work at the Western Reserve College, Cleveland, Ohio.

The artistic arrangement of the rooms and the attractive service of refreshments did not fail to make a most favorable impression. The league members were delighted with the appointments of the club, and expressed their appreciation of the courtesies extended to them.

BIRTH

Mrs. R. Baker, nee Miss Weller, class 1914, at Sloane Hospital, a son, Louis Coombs Baker.

MARRIAGES

On October 4, 1921, Miss Marie Lucille Lucas (1917), to Dr. Vernon Offertt Heddens, Charleston, S. C.

On October 20, 1921, Miss Laura Ada Brightman (1920), to Mr. Fay Brown Belt, Birmingham, Ala.

On October 20, 1921, Miss Mary Lloyd Grayson (1910), to Major Wallace Copeland Philloon, U. S. A., at Peking, China.

On October 19, 1921, Miss Agnes Ethel Moir (1918), to Mr. William Dudley Munro, at Barons, Alberta, Canada.

On November 17, 1921, Miss Jane Hafer (1916), to Mr. Rennick Baillie.

On November 23, 1921, Miss Caroline Coddington (1916), to Mr. Richard Morris Sulzer, at All Angels' Church, New York, N. Y.

Margaret Burns, 1919, to James K. Behan, in June, 1921. At home, Grove House, Sea View Avenue, Newport, R. I.

DEATHS

Miss Elizabeth Blott, class 1908, died October 1 at the home of her parents in Gasport, near Buffalo, after a long and painful illness, and was buried at Dunville. Previous to her illness she had done district nursing in Buffalo for a year, and during the war was stationed in the Canadian Northwest as a nursing sister of the army with the rank of first lieutenant.

Miss Blott was in New York very little since her graduation from the hospital, but was always greatly interested in it, and in the Alumnae Association, and kept in touch by corresponding with a number of her classmates who will always remember her as a devoted and unselfish friend.

Just as we are going to press we learn of the death of Miss Ida L. Sutcliffe, graduate from our hospital, died at the Long Island Hospital, December 6, 1921.

TO THE NURSES

I had a dream last night. I dreamt that
I entered the gates above
Everything I saw there denoted kindness
And love.

But what is that? Why they are clipping
Some of the Angel's wings.
Of the sights I saw while there,
That was one of the most peculiar things.

But how easily explained when I
Heard a voice from out of the Vision
Bidding these winged clipped Angels
That on earth they would find there mission.

Go below, scatter deed of kindness
On every hand
Especially to the sick whom
You find throughout the land.

And when again you are called
To come above
You shall sit at the right of
Him (God) whom we all love.

Then I awoke and found bending
O'er me a Nurse dressed in white
One of God's winged clipped
Angels of whom I dreamt of last night.

The above is my tribute to the best class of women on earth—The Nurses. (Signed)

This poem was sent to Miss Bower after selling a man 20 neckties at 5 cents a piece and three pairs of glasses at 10 cents a pair at the Rummage Sale.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The engagement of Miss Helen Seymour (1918), to Mr. Alfred J. Daum, Ottawa, Ill., is announced.

Also the engagement of Miss Edith Legate (1918), to Dr. Roscoe C. Webb, of Minneapolis, Minn.

Also the engagement of Miss Laura B. Lawrence (1915), to Mr. S. Warren Mays, Rye, N. Y.

Also the engagement of Miss Rebecca R. Sullivan (1917), to Mr. Erik Achorn, A. M., of Cambridge, Mass.

Friends of Miss Natalie Hall, class 1921, will be interested to hear of her engagement to Dr. Cornell.

SUGGESTIONS BY A MEMBER FOR NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

1. To take more interest in the Alumnae meetings and attend more faithfully.
 2. To get at least one new member for the Sick Nurses' Fund.
 3. To send one item of interest to the Alumnae News every four months.
 4. To attend the county meetings more regularly.
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Dear Nurse—Would you kindly finish the boxes of anæsthetic, because lately she has gone to the doctor and said, she is every weak, and that is about the only thing that will help her, and then mother will pay how much they cost you for putting them in.

You see she has another box home which the doctor said, you should put one in every other day because it is stronger. Can you please do it, for she is our mother and if we lose her we have nobody else to take care of us and we are not so big yet. Yours truly,

(Signed) _____

Please answer if want to or not.

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Miss Lydia Anderson, R. N.	Miss Mary Holland, R. N.	Miss Sarah Moore, R. N.
Miss Susie Armstrong, R. N.	Miss Amy Winants, R. N.	Miss Eliz. Wilkinson, R. N.

FOR VICE-PRES., VOTE FOR 1	FOR COR. SEC., VOTE FOR 1	FOR TRUSTEE, VOTE FOR 3
Miss Mary Agnes Smith, R. N.	Miss Catherine Hay, R. N.	Miss Helen Kenneally, R. N.
Miss B. M. Lehmkuhl, R. N.	Miss Edith Chappel, R. N.	Miss Ada Pencheon, R. N.
		Miss Helen Daum, R. N.
		Miss Armedia Culver, R. N.
		Miss Mabel Star, R. N.
		Miss Helen Hildick

N. B.—Mark your ballot with an **X** at the left of the name you wish to vote for or substitute the name of any other person. DO NOT sign your ballot. If vote is to be cast by mail send same to the Secretary, Miss Mary F. Holland, R. N., 40 Grace Court, Brooklyn, N. Y., with a signed letter for identification.

A permanent set of teeth consists of eight canines, eight cuspids, two molars and four cuspidors.

Bacteria is distributed by drinking after people and by all means chewing their gum.

Franklin went to Boston carrying all his clothes in his pocket and a loaf of bread under each arm.

The ailmentary canal is in the northern part of Indiana.

Sixty gallons make a hedgehog.

Dew is caused by the swetting of the earth.

The stomach forms a part of the Adam's apple.

The hair keeps things from getting into the brain.

The nails would get very long if we did not bite them off occasionally.

Gender shows whether a man is masculine, feminine or neuter.

The three heavenly bodies are the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was born in Portland, Maine, while his parents were travelling on the Continent. He made many fast friends; among the fastest were Alice and Phoebe Cary.

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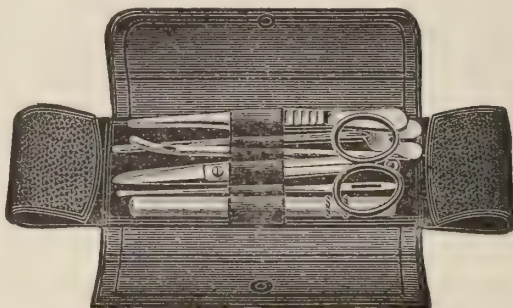
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NOTICES

Any nurse living at the Club House if ill, may, by communicating with the Registrar secure an hourly nurse at the expense of the nurse herself.

All members of the Club who fail to pay their Club and Registration Dues within three months after May first, will have their names posted at the Club House.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

Owing to the fiscal year of the Alumnae Association being changed to correspond with the calendar year, the dues for 1922 are \$2.25 for those residing in District No. 13, and \$1.50 for non-resident members.

Those having already paid \$3.00 and \$2.00 respectively for 1922, desiring a refund, will please submit a written request to the President for an order to have same credited on dues for 1923.

Will the members who are enrolled Red Cross Nurses, and Home Defense Nurses please send their names and addresses on a postal to the Chairman of our Red Cross Committee, Miss M. M. Jouffret, 129 Wadsworth Avenue, New York City?

ATTENTION, please.—Major Julia C. Stimson, who is Dean of the Army School of Nursing, Washington, D. C., will speak at our next Alumnae Meeting, April 13, 1922. We know all want to hear her.

GUILD OF ST. BARNABAS FOR NURSES

Regular monthly meetings fourth Wednesday of each month, St. Stephens' Church, 122 West 69th Street, 8 p. m. Social Hour every second and fourth Thursday, 3-4:30 p. m.

If anyone knows the address of any of the following members kindly send it to our secretary, Miss Mary F. Holland.

Mrs. H. S. Mathewson.

Miss Florence Dewar (1916).

Mrs. Lake (nee Emma C. Avant) 1918.

Miss Mildred Gibson.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Will all the recent graduates now leaving the New York Hospital, kindly let Miss Gillette know by August 1st, or as soon after, as possible, if they wish to sign for a room at the Club? Leases are signed for a year beginning October 1st, 1922.

MEETINGS

Meetings of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street, at 8 P. M.

Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the first Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

The New York County Nurses Association holds its meetings at 132 East 45th Street, on the second Tuesday of each month.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

At

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

JUNE 26, 1922—JULY 1, 1922

Resolutions of condolence by the Alumnae Association of the Training School for Nurses of The New York Hospital.

Whereas, Divine Providence, through death, has claimed, on February 27th, 1922, one of the most genial and popular members of our Association, Miss Amy E. Holmes, a graduate of the March class of 1896, and,

Whereas, our sympathy goes out to the members of her family in their great bereavement, and therefore,

Be it resolved, That we, The Alumnae Association of The Training School for Nurses, of the New York Hospital do hereby extend to her family our deep appreciation of the loving attributes of our departed member whose smiling face and cordial greeting made everyone the better for having known her and who leaves behind a record of remarkable service to humanity.

And be it further Resolved, That there resolutions be spread on our Minutes and a copy sent to the family and also published in the next issue of "The Alumnae News."

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) JANE EMERY CAMP.

EXTRACTS FROM ALUMNAE MEETINGS

MEETING, DECEMBER 8th, 1921

The December meeting was held at the Club House on Thursday, December 8th at 8 P. M. The Chairman of the Financial Committee gave a summary of the financial condition of the Association and after some discussion it was voted to rescind the two motions, one to give the Club House \$200 a year for five years, and one to give the Sick Fund \$200 a year for five years.

The following ballot was presented by Miss Clara Green, Chairman of the Nominating Committee:

President—Miss Lydia Anderson, Miss Susie Armstrong.
Vice-President—Miss Mary Agnes Smith, Miss B. M. Lehnkuhl.

Recording Secretary—Miss Mary F. Holland, Miss Amy Winants.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Catherine B. Hay, Miss Edith Chappel.

Treasurer—Miss Sarah E. Moore, Miss Elizabeth Wilkinson.

Trustees—Miss Helen Kenneally, Miss Ada A. Pencheon, Miss Helen Daum, Miss Armedia Culver, Miss Mabel Starr, Miss Helen Hildick.

A tribute to Miss Margaret M. Ryerson was read and placed on file in the Minutes of the Association.

The Annual Meeting was held at the Club on Thursday, January 12th, at 8 P. M.

The annual reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and the various committees were read and approved.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Miss Lydia Anderson

Vice-President—Miss Mary A. Smith.

Recording Secretary—Miss Mary F. Holland.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Catherine B. Hay.

Treasurer—Miss Sarah E. Moore.

Trustees—Miss Ada A. Pencheon, Miss Helen Kenneally, Miss Armedia M. Culver.

A tribute, to Miss Ida L. Sutcliffe, which will be found elsewhere in the News, was read and placed on file.

The Chairman called upon Miss Jordan to tell about the Lehlbach Bill, putting nurses in the unprofessional class. There is an amendment to put registered nurses in the professional class, and a motion was made to have this Association send telegrams to our Senators urging support of this amendment.

The new President spoke to the members of the Association urging their support and co-operation.

The regular monthly meeting was held on Thursday, February 9th at 8 P. M.

The following names were proposed and accepted for membership in the Association:

Miss Aileen Daly

Miss Constance Meserve

Miss Juliette Lachat

Miss Beatrice Don

Miss Cecile V. Morrison

Miss Jean McJ. Dodd

Miss Blanche E. Bartlett

Miss Katherine Hamblin

Miss Eva C. Bryan

The members of the Class of 1922 were invited to this meeting and after the business had been transacted we all had the pleasure and privilege of listening to a most inspiring and interesting talk from Miss Lillian D. Wald, who spoke of the work done at "The House on Henry Street".

We very much appreciate the efforts of our Program and Social Committees. The meetings have been most interesting and the social gathering after very enjoyable.

ALUMNAE MEETING, MARCH 9th, 1922

The regular monthly meeting was held at the Club House on March 9th.

The various reports were read and approved.

The Secretary read the following resolutions on the death of Miss Maria Davis:

"Whereas, the Class of 1904 is called upon to mourn the loss of one of its members, Miss Maria Davis;

"We wish to express our sympathy to her family,

"Our own sense of sorrow at the breaking of another tie,

"And ask that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Minutes of the Alumnae Association."

(Signed) BELLE D. SEELY,
NETTIE SILVA,
FLORENCE M. CREIGHTON.

It was voted that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and spread on the Minutes of the Association.

Three deaths of members of the Association were reported:

Miss Amy E. Holmes, Class of 1896
Mrs. William J. Evans, Class of 1901
Miss Mary H. Lawrence, Class of 1903

The following members have asked to be reinstated, and it was voted that upon the payment of all back dues they become members of the Association:

Miss N. C. Pugsley Miss Dorothy Wilson
Miss Jessie P. Wilson

The President spoke to the members of the Association on the subject of registration. A book has just been published containing the names of all nurses who have taken out a license to practice in the State of New York. Anyone practicing without a license is to be reported to the State authorities and it is then put into the hands of the Attorney General who imposes a fine. Miss Anderson urged every nurse who is registered and expects to nurse to take out her license at once.

We had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. Charles Edge, a member of the League of Women Voters, who told us about the League and its object.

After this the meeting adjourned and refreshments were served by the Social Committee.

GOULD FARM

FROM THE VIEWPOINT OF ONE OF ITS WORKERS

Here stands the rambling old farm-house, nine miles from the railroad, in the midst of the lovely Berkshire Hills, with its doors open to those who most need and can best be helped by what it has to offer. The original homestead was erected over a hundred years ago and has twice been enlarged, once for use as a boarding-house and again since Mr. Gould's occupancy to accommodate his rapidly growing family. Although the average length of stay is only a few weeks, every newcomer is at once "adopted" and many have found here for the first time the true meaning of the word "home".

Ministers, doctors, nurses, social workers and the clients of each are numbered among its guests. A spirit of absolute democracy prevails—yes, and something more and better than democracy, for besides the obliteration of all artificial social distinctions there come to purposeless lives the inspiration of fresh interests, sympathies and opportunities for helpfulness, and to the tired-out, rest, recreation, softening and refining influences, and a practical experience of the "easy yoke". Friendships of permanent value and often of the most unexpected and "picturesque" nature are formed, and lonely souls returning to their old environment find it enriched by new associations and a new outlook. Twice on Sunday and again on Wednesday evenings the household, which may represent every form of religious belief or non-belief, gathers for a short and simple service and seldom is any guest absent, though attendance is never urged. Christian influence is exerted more by living than by talking, but it pervades the atmosphere.

The main house accommodates only about thirty-five but it is surrounded by cottages which during the milder months provide sleeping rooms for about as many more, all coming to the main house for meals. A single bed in each sleeping room is the general rule; and certain specially gifted workers succeed in making the little rooms attractive with the simplest of furnishings. The simplicity of the appointments throughout is intended to reduce the housework to a minimum, and it is accomplished entirely by volunteers. The little group of unsalaried associates act as leaders in the different departments, and every member of the big family is sure to find sooner or later the niche where his or her abilities, however great or however limited, can be applied and developed in ways which

are mutually both interesting and profitable; for Mr. Gould deliberately declines to sacrifice for the sake of efficiency considerations which are higher still. This infectious spirit of mutual helpfulness is one of the strongest features of the work.

The undertaking is not incorporated and the financing of it again exemplifies Mr. Gould's ideas of co-operation. Although absolutely without independent means, he has no desire for personal gain—literally no thought of it—and he declines to make any definite charge for board. Guests are invited to make their weekly contributions according to ability, each one practically fixing his own rate. The most desirable rooms are assigned and the most assiduous care is given not to those who pay most but to those whose need it greatest.

Mr. Gould's sagacious management and the fact that there are practically no salaries keep current expenses at a minimum and within the amount received from guests; and it is only for improving the plant and for carrying out the interesting developments which he has in mind that funds from outside are needed. He is contemplating a new unit which shall lay greater emphasis upon farming as an industry with the purpose of making his enterprise more nearly self-dependent, and incidentally give more employment and training along agricultural lines. He has also definite hope of establishing within the next few months a branch home in New York City, as headquarters for investigation and follow-up work and as a meeting-place for reunions, conferences, etc.

By training a practical farmer, by habit of mind a lawyer, by self-consecration a minister (though unordained), Mr. Gould is doing pioneer work in opening up to the social workers of the city the resources of country co-operation. His point of view commands the broad field of Christian economics and it is only incidentally that his work at this stage has taken on the form of a home for convalescents.

AMY ELIZABETH HOLMES

Late in the afternoon of Friday, February twenty-fourth, the relatives, loving friends and former associate nurses of Amy Elizabeth Holmes met in the chantry of Grace Church, New York and with full hearts heard the reading of the Episcopal Service, the casket covered with the American and Red Cross Flags just distinguishable amidst a profusion of flowers,

the minds of each reverting the while to crowding recollections of incidents in a life made up of cheery, gracious and tireless service, no matter how trying the various situations or how difficult the problems to be faced.

The following day, on one of the beautiful hills of our National Cemetery at Arlington, at the close of a service more than usually impressive because, perhaps, of a subdued note of victory, three salutes were fired and taps sounded, the sun shining brightly as this modest little heroine of three wars was laid to rest with Military Honors,—and in the place reserved for Red Cross Nurses in accordance with the wish she had so frequently expressed to those who were in her confidence. Chaplain Yates of Fort Myer had previously read the beautiful prayer beginning "Thank God for all heroes."

In addition to many of her former associates there were also present Major Julia C. Stimson, Director of The Army Nurse Corps; Miss Clara D. Noyes, Director of Nursing of The American Red Cross, and Ida F. Butler, Assistant to the Director.

CHRONOLOGY

Born in Sheffield, England, 1870.

Graduated, with distinction, from New York Hospital Training School for Nurses, 1896.

Red Cross Nurse at Fort MacPherson, Atlanta, Georgia, U. S. A., July 18 to November 24, 1898.

Sailed on Transport Sheridan January 16, 1899 to serve in the Philippines in the Spanish-American War until October 8, 1899.

Nursing Sister, Army Nursing Service Reserve June 15, 1900, Military Hospital, Devonport, England, thence to Cape Town, South Africa for active service Boer War, returning to England on H. M. S. Plassy, May 20, 1904, being in this Service until May 31, 1905.

Superintendent of Training School for Male Nurses, Bellevue Hospital, September 7, 1907 to June 7, 1910.

Head Nurse and Superintendent American Hospital in Paris, April, 1911 to July, 1912.

Elected an Associate of Royal Sanitary Institute, London, November 12, 1912.

Matron, H. M. Hospital Ship Delta, August 5, 1914 to December 31, 1916.

Acting Matron, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve) beginning January, 1917, at Choubrah Military Infectious Hospital, Cairo, Egypt, sailing from Alexandria May 3, 1918 for duty passage to Marseilles en route for England. (The Delta sailed back and forth through the Dardenelles touching at various ports, such as Lemnos, Bombay, Suez, Port Said, Mundros, Gallipoli, Anzac and Alexandria, being repeatedly in line of the enemy's artillery fire, air raids and torpedo attack.)

After Armistice, Assistant Head of Paris Office American Red Cross Nursing Service.

She was twice elected President of the Alumnae Association, New York Hospital Training School.

1920-1922, Superintendent Orphan Asylum, Hartford, Conn.

RECOGNITION

Boer War: 1902 the Officers of the Second Battalion presented "Sister" Holmes with a silver belt, suitably inscribed, "in token of their gratitude for her unremitting care of the sick and wounded officers of the regiment."

Royal Red Cross Decoration, First Class, conferred by the King, in person, "for gallant service on Hospital Ships and in Egypt."

"1914-15 Star" for service on Hospital Ships in Theatre of War, August 5, 1914 to December 31, 1915.

March 1, 1919. "Acting Matron Miss A. E. Holmes, Q.A.I. M.N.S. (R.), was mentioned in a Despatch from General Sir Ian S. M. Hamilton, G.C.B., D.S.O., A.D.C., dated 11th December, 1915, for gallant and distinguished services in the Field. I have it in command from the King to record His Majesty's high appreciation of the services rendered" (Signed) Winston S. Churchill, Secretary of State for War.

Victory Medal.

The following poem, written in her handwriting was found among the papers of Amy Elizabeth Holmes.

THE TAPESTRY WEAVERS

Let us take to our hearts a lesson—
No lesson can braver be
From the ways of the tapestry weavers,
On the other side of the sea.

Above their heads the pattern hangs,
They study it with care;
The while their fingers deftly work,
Their eyes are fastened there.

They tell this curious thing besides
Of the patient, plodding weaver,
He works on the wrong side evermore
But works for the right side ever.

It is only when the weaving stops
And the web is loosed and turned,
That he sees his real handiwork
That his marvelous skill is learned.

Ah, the sight of its delicate beauty,
How it pays him for all his cost!
No rarer work than his, was
Ever done by the frost.

Then the master bringeth him golden hire,
And giveth him praise as well,
And how happy the heart of the weaver is,
No tongue but his own can tell.

The years of man are the looms of God,
Let down from the place of the sun,
Wherein we are weaving away,
Till the mystic web is done.

Weaving blindly, but weaving surely,
Each for himself his fate.
We may not see how the right side looks,
We can only weave and wait.

But looking above for the pattern,
No weaver need have fear
Only let him look clear into Heaven,
The Perfect Pattern is there.

If he keeps the face of our Saviour
Forever and always in sight,
The toil shall be sweeter than honey,
His weaving is sure to be right.

And when his task is ended,
And the web is turned and shown
He shall hear the voice of his Master
It shall say to him "Well done."

EXTRACTS FROM ONLY ONE YEAR'S DIARY (1915)

(Due to Limited Space)

AMY ELIZABETH HOLMES

February (20) Sailed from New York, Tuscania, Anchor Line Captain McLean.

March (2) Hailed by British Patrol Boat and told location of submarines. Escorted by cruisers and submarines. All ports and windows darkened with black paper. Officers on bridge all night. (3) Arrived Liverpool. Went to London which was almost in darkness. (22) War Office wired "Can you take charge of hospital ship?" Replied "Yes." (24) Received orders for H. M. Hospital Ship Delta. (26) Arrived Delta. Beautiful new P & O Liner. 532 beds. Large green electric lights all around ship and very large illuminated Red Crosses. Very comfortable cabin, electric heat and fan. Small office attached.

April (14) Inspected by General Stuart Wortley who pronounced this finest hospital ship afloat. Sailed promptly. German prisoners cheered us as we passed their boat. (26) Arrived Lemnos. Hailed by two destroyers. Hospital Ship "Gascon" near by filled with patients and bodies covered with Union Jack in stern. Arrived Tenedos. Flashes of guns and sounds of fire. Seventy-five seconds between flash and sound. Searchlights. Firing shook our ship. (27) Orders to go inside Dardanelles immediately. Urgent. Moved up near Cape Helles amongst battleships and transports. Loud firing from ships close to us. Troops advancing. Villages in flames and clouds of dust where shells struck. Guns going night and day. Patients began to arrive. Up till 4 a. m. Sisters working splendidly; also orderlies. (29) Took on patients all day. Had to turn away one boat load. 82 French soldiers severely wounded. All up working till 2 a. m. Several operations same night. Patients had not had food for two days. All very dirty and clothes torn and stained with blood. (30) All working on into the night. Seemed impossible to cope with it. Try as we may cannot attend to all we should. 40 operations. All immediate cases, several amputations.

May (1) Arrived Alexandria, Disembarked all serious cases. Fifteen deaths during journey from Dardanelles. (2) Sailed for Gibraltar. Took on wounded from "Aragon." Many had not been dressed since first aid. Most of them were Australians—very fine looking men. Sister Bell weeping because so many serious cases sent to her ward. Work strenuous. Many operations. When sailed thirty-six beds were empty. (3) All working very hard. Sister Bell seasick. Took her ward. (7) Passed submarine, thought to be German. (10) Men paraded in kit, clothes covered with blood and torn, in many cases unfit for wear. (20) Twenty-one General Hospital came aboard. Fifty sisters, thirty-six doctors and two hundred men. Sailed 3 P. M. for Alexandria. (25) Planned classes for our new men. All but two inexperienced. (29) Arrived Alexandria. Five officers and two hundred

men ordered to a camp but returned an hour later as camp was not ready. Lady Caernarson, Head of Red Cross here, visited ship.

June (2) Patients coming all day. Crutches all given out. Mr. Strickland brought twelve more pairs. Mosquitos and flies bad. (7) Worked in Ward K in afternoon. Terrible cases. Eight amputations of leg. All helpless. (9) Beautiful piece of coast. Ginger cat deserted kittens. (10) Kittens being fed with feeding bottle, officers by day, sisters by night. (11) Busy with clothing. Some men received too much. Others insufficient. Must plan another system. (13) Went to church early returning by 12 to help with operation on bridge. Boxes arrived from Lady Jellico. (17) Went swimming and later took lessons. Kittens found dead. (22) Passing Spanish Coast. Commenced orderlies classes. Inoculated. Saw a school of whales. (23) Chest very sore. Made up beds in ward. (28) Hassock made for me by gunner.

July (21) Sisters when saying goodbye—said they heard all were very happy on this ship. Was very pleased. Fifty-three medical officers and four-hundred seventy-five men arrived during morning. Sailed at 3. Col. Fuhr, D. S. O. in command. (25) Church service on poop deck. Address on being worthy of our calling. Little organ sounded very bad. Sea and sky very beautiful. (27) Very amusing potato races, bull baiting, wheel-barrow races, obstacle races, pillow fight on horizontal bars, V. C. race, tug of war—all very amusing and interesting. (31) Sister Pearson awoke me at 4:30 A. M. to see Cape Matapan. Glorious sunrise over the hills.

August (2) Inspector General (Navy) came on board, Sir John Porter. (6) French cheered as we passed their troopships. "Aquitania" with five thousand troops. All cheered. We called "Are we downhearted?" "No" they cried. Beautiful. (7) Patients began to arrive from Anzac in large flat boats, some already dead. Hungry. Clothes torn and blood-stained. Filled all the beds. So many more came we had to put them on the decks. All working all night. (8) Very busy. Impossible to cope with work. Not nearly sufficient Medical Officers nor orderlies. Finally sailed with 900 patients to Imbros, having put off 56 on a trawler at Anzac. At Imbros took on 232 more walking cases making 1,132. (9) Left Lemnos with 1,032 cases. Transferred 100 to another ship. Asked for fourteen more orderlies and four medical officers. Were given the former. (10) Boat deck full. Also hurricane deck. Many big dressings done on poop. Some deck cases very ill and had to be moved to wards as beds became vacant by patients dying. (11) Arrived at Alexandria with 1,003 patients. Disembarked all serious cases. Lady Caernarson at disembarkation. Received thirty-three letters. 48 deaths on voyage from Anzac. Gas gangrene cause of many. (14) Met "Soudan" with 500 survivors from Transport Royal Edward. (16) Arrived Lemnos. Heard that the "Royal Edward" was sunk. 500 saved; 700 drowned. Kephalo is new name for Imbros Bay. (17) Sisters went on for four hours each. No

firing only an odd shell occasionally. Everything very quiet. (18) Watched shells bursting over Cape Surla. Patients began to arrive about 4 P. M. Fed and dressed 47 walking cases who left in trawler. (19) Took on cases all day. Two dressing-stations on deck. Did not call sisters. Sea too rough to take more. (20) Many deaths. Taken out to sea to be buried, Padra accompanying. Hoisted "Blue Peter" because no room for more patients. (21) 193 cases on deck. Attack in afternoon. Troops advanced. Shrapnel, rifle fire and guns from war ships incessant. Had 750 patients when embarking ceased. Fed and dressed 450—1 Turk. (22) Patient died on deck of gas gangrene. Gunner roped off place. (24) Big sandstorm. Sand came over to "Delta" and had to be swept away. (25) Great searchlight thrown by Turks over Peninsula. (26) Floating mine seen at stern. Was exploded by torpedo destroyer. Periscope of submarine seen at same time. Also aeroplane. (29) General de Rougemont and General Sir John Davies and other Staff Officers came to spend the day. Milk giving out. Birds dying for want of bird-seed. (30) General Douglas, Royal Scots, came to spend the day. Enormous Turkish searchlight said to be finest in world. Major McMillan told us of Turks dropping notices in different languages over French, English and Indian camps.

September (6) Went to each patient's bed with cigarettes. Find this a very good way of seeing them all. Very short-handed. (11) Gibraltar came in sight—at first looking like a mountain of cloud, gradually becoming greyer and greener. A heavy cloud remained over the top and did not disburse. (15) Received large packing case, two small ones and one suit case. No time to open. (12) Unpacked cases and acknowledged them. Taking 74 sisters, 56 medical officers and 260 men. Mr. Beaver heard at Nettey that patients all try to be taken to the "Delta." Have not put this in any letter. (24) Should have sailed but were run into by a troopship which broke some of our boats. (25) Quiet day. Many sisters seasick as ship rolled a great deal. Miss A. very funny. (26) Sisters in H and officers washed out 3 A. M. Sea came in starboard side. Captain and all stewards baling out. Nearly all seasick. Tremendously heavy sea all day. Red Cross room wrecked. Also my cabin. Visited all sick sisters after dinner

October (2) Old battleships to be sunk at Gallipoli for breakwater. Officers objected to sisters singing during dinner. (5) Arrived Alexandria. Learned three Canadian sisters had died at Lemnos. Received twenty parcels from America and twenty-four letters. All sisters behaved well on this voyage. (6) Forty men rushed the guard. Were afterward taken to guard room under armed escort. (13) Arrived Anzac 6 P. M. Constant rifle fire and maxim fire. When dark a destroyer threw a searchlight on to cliff, moving it slowly till it lighted a certain locality, when flash was seen on destroyer and another on cliffside with sound of gun fire. From cliff rose a silver shower which was the earth and rocks thrown up by bursting shell. This occurred

about eight times within an hour, recommencing and continuing through the night (14) Shelling beach frequently during day. Very near beach. Can see Turkish trenches and barbed wire. Sister Wiltes struck by bullet which first struck side of ship. (15) Took on all day till we had 217 patients. One died early in the morning. Padre went out to sea to bury him. Several bullets struck the ship. Col. Guthrie brought aboard by his son. He was an old man but had refused to leave the trenches till ordered away. Searchlight again on cliffs at night and bombardment by destroyers. (16) Awakened at 4 A. M. by night attack. Bombs and shrapnel exploding constantly. Rifle firing. Incessant star shells showing positions. Heavy bombardment by destroyers. Bullets falling all around us. Fireman wounded. Skylight in saloon broken. Bullet holes in bridge. Lasted one hour. Took on patients at intervals until three-quarters full. (17) Hoisted "Blue Peter" to show no more room for patients. Indians sleeping on floor. Shrapnel bursting on hillside. Sniping and some bombardment. Numbers of Maories, Indians, Sihks and Gourkhas on board. (20) Arrived Alexandria. 500 shirts and 500 pajamas ordered at Mandros. (22) Visited Azoukir. Rode for two hours to Bedouin Camp. Some sisters fell off donkeys. Returning, train was so crowded that the roof was packed. (26) A rat ran up the dress of one of the territorial sisters. She was very brave about it. Concert on poop deck. (28) Heard of torpedoing of "Marquette" with loss of ten New Zealand sisters. Ship was full of ammunition and was two hours out from Salonika. (29) Captain of "Southland" took us to his ship to show us the result of torpedoing. Found hold full of water. Could see twisted iron plates. All were saved but forty-two. Captain's wife and four children were on "Arabic" when she was torpedoed. Youngest daughter gave up her seat in boat to stewardess and finally had to dive overboard. (31) Attended service when the tabby cat jumped on the piano keys in the middle of a hymn and played with the flag, putting his claws in the Padre's leg.

November (6) Patients arrived twice making a total of about 400. (7) Wards filled. Two patients died, one after operation. Tremendous firing from battleship "Elgar" at batteries behind Ache Baba. (19) Arrived Anzac. 200 patients arrived 12:50 A. M. Everybody up until 4 A. M. (20) Heavy bombardment during the day. Rifle firing at night. French aeroplane attracted much shrapnel firing from Turks. (21) Padre went on trawler to bury dead. Trawler shelled by Turks. Sick arrived 5 P. M. Gangway smashed and 170 had to be taken aboard by crane. Sisters working until nearly eleven.

December (6) Took on about 100 more than our capacity. On floor in all wards. 12 in officers' ward. All working very hard. (7) Took on more patients until 230 in excess of our capacity. Had them on floor of well deck and in corridors all over ship. Fed 60 on deck. (14) Evening wireless brought news that French ship was chased by two destroyers and was being fired on. Remained in communication for about an hour. Then sub-

marine gave up chase. French captain sent compliments. (17) "Cawder Castle" arrived safely after sixty shots had been fired at her. Had 1,500 troops aboard. Fell and hurt my knee. (24) Filled bags of sweets all day. Visited wards to see decorations which were really wonderful. Chief Officer lent thirty large ship's flags. After dinner filled all patients socks. Orderlies sang Christmas carols outside saloon door. One sock—soap, cigarettes, matches, paper and envelope. Other sock—fruit, nuts and sweets. Night sisters rehung socks at 4 A. M. (25) Remained in bed all day. Patients had stockings early. Concert. Champagne for dinner. Drank King's health. (26) Arrived Alexandria. Patients presented address. All assembled on poop deck to hear it read. Afterwards gave three cheers and sang, "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows." Spoke of kindness shown them on the ship. Lady Brassy brought books. (27) Led redressed. Feels more comfortable. Filled Christmas stockings for orderlies' dinner. All patients disembarked at 5 P. M.

Space will not permit of extracts from the Diaries of 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919.

In view of the foregoing references to a life that was so obviously beyond all praise, it is felt that any eulogy would be superfluous but we are naturally reminded of how the lives of each and everyone of us are comparatively meaningless except as they too find expression in a similarly joyous personal service.

The memory of the cheery poise, self-less devotion, fearlessness, simplicity and essential modesty of this consequently heroic life will ever serve as an inspiration to all whose privilege it was to have known, and therefore loved, Amy Elizabeth Holmes.

PERSONALS

Miss Martha Russell, 1894, made a short visit to the Club in January.

Miss Katherine Dewitt, of the American Journal of Nursing, spent a few days at the club in January.

Mrs. Lillian Shurtleff, 1918, has taken an apartment in Brooklyn.

Mrs. John Kennedy, nee Ruth Frasius, 1915, made a short visit to New York recently.

Miss Leila V. Jones, 1885, is now acting as School Nurse in Charleston, S. C. Her address is 64 Tradd Street, Charleston, S. C. This is Miss Jones' third year as School Nurse, after many years as Hospital executive. The first year Miss Jones had school supervision over 3,000 children, nearly 1,500 of whom were negroes. She is happy in her new work, and reports many amusing experiences among her ebony pupils.

Miss Mabel Beeler, 1918, writes on November 1st she took charge of the Medical and Welfare Department of the new Federal Reserve Bank, Kansas City. "On the 13th we moved into our new four and a half million dollar home. The Medical Dept. is on the nineteenth floor, and believe I am safe in saying it is one of the finest and best equipped departments of its kind in the country."

Miss Marietta Wilsey, 1908, gave a delightful tea on January 15th to as many of her class-mates as she could gather together. Miss Mathilde Jouffret, poured, assisted by Mrs. Sands. Mrs. Sanbornne, Mrs. Hills, Mrs. Torelli, Miss Pearl Gravitt, Misses Rosenmuller, Florence Mosher, Lena Hubbard, Cromwell, McCrae and Muirheid were there. An unusually good time was indulged in, and numerous jokes revived.

Miss Nelly McCrae, 1901, Superintendent of the Italian Hospital, gave a tea to a few friends on January 22nd, at the Italian Hospital.

Mrs. T. Malaby, nee Gertrude Miller, 1903, held a sale of gowns, blouses and hats at the Club on January 17th. Mrs. Malaby will give another exhibition in the near future.

Miss Florence Mosher, 1908, spent a week in Baltimore recently, visiting her classmate, Mrs. R. G. McGill, nee Miss Rachel Clarke.

Miss Gouinlock and Miss Amy Wright, 1919, spent a few days at Atlantic City recently.

Miss Vera Playter, 1915, is enjoying herself very much at Long Beach, Calif.

Miss Ohle E. Gill, 1901, has been operated on at the Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mrs. E. E. Hartman, nee Jane Harding, 1905, held a sale of home-made marmalade February 7th, at the Club. It is a very delicious marmalade, and will be kept on permanent sale at the Club.

Miss Marjery Lewis, 1909, is on a long case in Bermuda.

Miss Lillian Rowe, 1916, is on a long case in Bermuda with Miss Barnfield, 1915.

Miss Denike is visiting in St. Augustine, Florida.

Miss Bellinger is making a trip to the Canal Zone.

Miss Sarah Olmstead has been staying at the Club for a few days, but has now returned to her work in Oswego, N. Y.

Miss Bane and Miss Cox (Class 1921), have gone to Stockton, Cal., for an indefinite time. They expect to do nursing there.

Miss Irene Buckland has returned to the Club after a long vacation.

Miss Verna Smith is taking a vacation of ten days at "Short Hills Inn", Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Lena Hubbard has gone to San Antonio, Texas. She writes: "If you are chilly come on down. Roses in bloom, and no coal necessary." She may go to California, later.

Miss Bessie Sutcliffe is at the Club for a long visit.

Miss Proctor sailed on March 4th for Germany and England. When she returns will go to the University of Toronto to prepare for Public Health Work.

Miss Verna Smith and Miss Clara Green gave a Farewell Bridge Party in honor of Miss Gladys Adams who is going to France to do Public Health Work.

HOSPITAL NEWS

There seems to have been an epidemic of sore throats this winter, and even the nurses have not escaped. Miss Warringer was the most unfortunate, as she developed Diphtheria and was taken to Willard-Parker. We are glad to say she is now at home convalescing. Miss Cerny, Miss Sayre and Miss Bartlett have also been off duty with Tonsillitis.

Miss Ryan is suture nurse on the Second Surgical Division, and has taken charge of the Operating Room during Miss Warringer's absence.

Miss Bosquet has resigned as suture nurse on the First Surgical Division, and is doing Public Health nursing in New Jersey.

Miss Christina Dan was called home on account of the illness of her mother.

Miss Fowler has given up charge of Wards K. and O., and is planning a June wedding. Miss Daly has succeeded her in charge of these Wards.

Miss Muriel Acton, after several months charge on Ward L., is now doing private duty. Miss Sayre, 21, now has charge of Ward L.

We are very sorry to say that Miss Virginia Hunter has been ill on the 4th floor, P. P. B., but is doing nicely. Miss Hunter has had charge of the Library in the Social Service Department, and she has been very much missed by the patients throughout the Wards.

We all regretted seeing Miss Winifred Godfrey, a graduate of White Plains Hospital, leave her position in the Private Patients' Operating Room, where she has had charge for the past year. She is spending her vacation in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, prior to entering her new position as assistant to Miss Ida Nuddell, in the Good Samaritan Hospital, Lebanon, Pa. Miss Field has taken Miss Godfrey's place as charge of the P. P. O. R.

The class of 1922 gave their class dinner in the McAlpin Grill, on March 2nd. They had a remarkably pleasant evening, all members were present, and Miss Jordan and Miss Anderson were guests of honor.

Miss Abbie Robinson spent Christmas with her family in Peterboro. While at home her mother and father celebrated their golden wedding.

Miss Margaret Paisley '05, has been in Pasadena, Calif., for some weeks, visiting Mrs. Tynan (Jeannette Smith '08). They both send kindest regards to all old friends. Miss Paisley is still living in San Francisco, Calif.

Miss Olive Secord '11, made a flying trip to her home in Toronto recently.

On February 24th a benefit performance of Lucia De Lamimmore was given at the Metropolitan Opera House for the Social Service Dept. and Nursery of the New York Hospital. There was a very large attendance, and the sum of Four Thousand and One Hundred and Eighty dollars was raised.

A St. Patrick's Day dance was given by the Student Nurses and Interns in the Reception Room of the Nurses' Home, on March 17th. The music was especially good, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Miss Mabel O'Brien '20, is resuming private duty, after spending some months on duty in the P. P. B.

Miss Katherine Hamblin '21, is Night Supervisor of the 6th floor at Lying-in-Hospital.

It was such a pleasure recently to hear from "our own" Mrs. Smith, who was Night Supervisor for so many years. She is now living up in Connecticut.

Miss H. L. Josephi '01, spent Christmas with her sister at Camp Meade, Maryland.

Miss Sheddon '12, who has been in the P. P. B. the past few months, has resigned, and Miss Osborne '22, has succeeded her. Miss Rae and Miss Butcher, also of class '22, are staying with us in positions in the P. P. B.

Miss Moira Ward '22, has accepted a position at the Maternity Center.

An especially attractive room, which is used as a nursery of the Children's Ward, is the result of the reconstruction of the old 15th Street entrance of the Hospital.

Miss Marjorie T. Clark '20, who has had charge of the Ward and Nursery, at Manhattan Maternity Hospital, has resigned and announced her engagement to Mr. R. O. Bouton, Jr., Elizabeth, N. J.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1922 were held on March 8th, at 8:30 P. M. in the Administration Room of the Hospital. Mr. Edward W. Sheldon, President of the Hospital, was in the chair. After the opening prayer by the Rev. Charles L. Slaterry, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, a most interesting and scholarly address was delivered by John H. Finley, L.L.D. The address was very much appreciated by the large assembly of friends and relatives of the Graduating Class.

The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing, always heartily enjoyed by the nurses and their friends.

The members of the graduating class are the following:

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Juliette E. Blohme
Miriam Gladys Butcher
Marie Grace Crisafulli
Elizabeth Arnold Davis
E. Gwendoline deCou
Marjorie Douglas deCou
Mary Winslow Fraser
Hilda F. Gaunt
Alice Williams Hicks
Irene M. Kelley
Mildred Esther Kime
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Muriel I. Massett

Ruth Lillian O'Brien
Margaret O'Mahoney
Gertrude Osborne
M. Annette O'Brien
Helen Lilian Neikirk
Sylvia Bertram Patten
Carrie Olive Rea
Greta Schwartz
Aldah Shultis
Irma Tucker
Velma V. Vollette
Margaret Louise Wilson
Katherine Webster
Moira Marguerite Ward

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The engagement of Mrs. Mary W. VanHuzon, 1905, to Mr. Smith L. Multer, is announced.

The engagement of Miss Helen Talcott to Mr. Vaughan Lewis.

MARRIAGES

Miss Gertrude Eleanor MacDonald, 1918, to Mr. Llewellyn Saunders, December 1st, 1921, St. Johns, Newfoundland.

Miss Edith May Legate, 1918, to Dr. Roscoe Clayton Webb, December 24th, 1921, Paterson, N. J.

Miss Mary Halstead, 1921, to Mr. Charles R. Morton, December 27th, 1921, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Miss Helen Amelia Seymour, 1918, to Mr. Alfred James Daum, December 28th, 1921, Hartford, Conn.

Miss Mabel L. Kidney, Class 1909, to Mr. Mason Lee, February 18th, 1922. They will live at 792 West End Ave. N. Y. City.

BIRTHS

Dr. and Mrs. Addison H. Bissell, nee Genevieve Cooke, 1917, a daughter, Genevieve Ruth, on November 14th, 1921, Coopers-town, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Ehrenzweig, nee Hazel Backus, 1910, a son, Victor Grant, December 27th, 1921.

To Dr. and Mrs. Lisle Byron Kingery, a son, Lisle Byron, Jr., born March 2, 1922.

To Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Hill (Anne V. Peck) a son, born February 6th, 1922.

DEATHS

Miss Maria H. Davis, 1904, January 21st, 1922.

Miss Mary H. Lawrence, 1903, died suddenly in March, 1922.

Miss Amy C. Holmes, 1896, died at the N. Y. Hospital, February 23, 1922.

Mrs. William J. Evans, 1901.

Tribute to Ida Louise Sutcliffe



In the early days of our Training School, when Miss Eliza Watson Brown was Principal, there came from Albany to enter into training, twin sisters who were destined to make their marks in the nursing world, and to leave an influence that can never die. They were Irene H. Sutcliffe and Ida L. Sutcliffe. The former lives to bless all within the circle of her acquaintance, but the latter has been called to follow the old road to Paradise, and is the subject of this imperfect tribute.

It is hard to put into words that would convey to a stranger, any adequate idea of Miss Sutcliffe. Small and delicate looking, she yet gave the impression of vivid strength, both of body and spirit, alert, resourceful, kind and untiring, she was at the same time the inspiration and despair of her co-workers, as she was so willing and ready to do everything, that few could compete with her. Time off, and days of rest were words unknown in her vocabulary. Nothing was too trying or difficult for her to undertake.

She was bright and amusing socially, and a great favorite with officials, nurses, doctors and patients.

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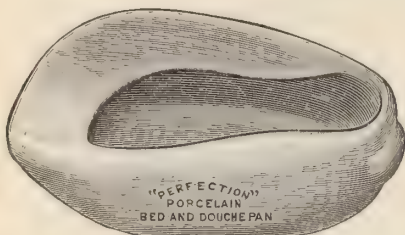
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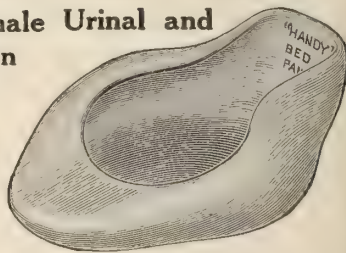
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The next meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held Thursday evening, October 12th, 1922.

The New York County Nurses' Association will hold its next meeting October 3rd, 1922 at 132 East 45th Street. The New York Hospital Alumnae will act as hostesses. As many of our members as can possibly go, are urged to be present.

The State Convention is to be held in New York, October 24th, 25th, and 26th, 1922.

It seems to me I'd like to go
Where bells don't ring nor whistles blow
Nor clocks don't strike, nor gongs don't sound,
And I'd have stillness all around.

If t'weren't for sight and sound and smell
I'd like the city pretty well,
But when it comes to getting rest
I like the country lots the best.

Sometimes it seems to me I must
Just quit the city's din and dust,
And get out where the sky is blue,
And say now, how does it seem to you?

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF ALUMNAE MEETINGS

MAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club House on May 11th, at 8 p. m.

The reports of the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees were all read and accepted.

Resolutions on the death of Miss Amy E. Holmes, Mrs. Ella Hair, and Miss Susan V. Gifford were read and will be found elsewhere in the News.

Letters of thanks and appreciation for flowers and sympathy were read from Mr. Gifford and Mr. Alexander.

Miss Barrett reported that \$90 had been raised by a dance for the Sick Fund, and that gifts of \$100 from Mrs. Vincent Astor, \$25 from Mrs. Woods and \$25 from Mrs. Webster had been received. Also that Miss Sutcliffe had given an Easter offering of a \$100 Liberty Bond.

Miss Hudson of Teacher's College addressed the meeting and told us of the courses that are being conducted at the college for graduate and under graduate nurses.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Miss Hudson for her interesting talk, after which the meeting adjourned.

JUNE

The regular meeting of the Association was held at the Club House on June 8th at 8 p. m.

The reports of the various officers and from the Committees were read and accepted.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee presented the following names for membership in the Association:

Miss E. Gwendolyne de Cou
Miss Marjorie D. de Cou
Miss Mary W. Fraser
Miss Ellen T. Mason
Miss Velma V. Vollette
Miss Margaret L. Wilson

It was moved, seconded and carried that these names be accepted as members on payment of their dues.

The Chairman of the Red Cross Committee reported that Miss Noyes had spoken to the graduating classes of the New York Hospitals urging them to join the Red Cross and pledge their loyalty to it.

The President spoke of the generous check sent by Mr. Larenburg with the request that Miss Jordan be empowered to use the money for any nurse, graduate or undergraduate, who may be ill and in need of financial aid. It was moved, seconded and carried that the secretary write a note of appreciation to Mr. Larenburg acceding to his request that any nurse can be helped by this donation.

A motion was made that this Alumnae Association act as hostesses at the October meeting of District No. 13, and that the President appoint a Committee to serve. Seconded and carried.

The President spoke of the death of Mrs. Alexander Johnson and asked Miss Phymister to draw up resolutions to be sent to the family and placed on the Minutes of the Association.

The meeting adjourned and refreshments were served.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY F. HOLLAND,
Recording Secretary

MR. BAKER'S GIFT TO THE HOSPITAL

The Board of Governors of the Society of the New York Hospital at a recent meeting adopted by a unanimous vote, the following resolutions:

"The governors of the Society of the New York Hospital are profoundly grateful to Mr. George F. Baker for the munificent gift made by him for the purposes mentioned in his letter of May 29th, 1922. This is the second time that he has

given the institution most liberal and stimulating aid. To carry out his wish, expressed in his letter, it was thereupon unanimously resolved, That the Society of the New York Hospital gratefully accept Mr. George F. Baker's gift of \$500,000 of 3¾ per cent notes to constitute a part of its endowment fund, the income to be used for the corporate purposes of the society, and it was further unanimously

"Resolved, That as a permanent memorial of Mr. Baker's able and valuable services as a governor of the society since 1899 this gift be denominated the George F. Baker Endowment Fund, and that there be transferred to it the \$250,000 given by Mr. Baker to the society without restriction in 1912, and as at present invested to constitute a single fund of \$750,000 to be held upon the terms specified in Mr. Baker's letter of May 29th, 1922."

Mr. Baker is a member of the Board of Governors of the Hospital and as shown by the resolutions has previously given generously to its support.

The New York Hospital, Bloomingdale Hospital and the Campbell Cottages for Convalescent Children at White Plains are the hospitals operated by the Society, and they will all be benefited by the \$500,000 additional gift.

As Alumnae we are all appreciative of this princely gift to our Hospital.

NURSING RATES

The Board of Managers has been very much disturbed by reports that nurses sent out by commercial registries have been charging higher rates per day than are permitted by hospital registries in New York City. It seems very unfair to the registered nurse whose training and experience is necessarily superior to that of the nurses coming from many of the outlying sections of the country, and it also seems unfair to the public, who are not sufficiently informed to protest against such unfair charges. The Managers have, therefore, communicated with the Registered Nurses' Association of this county and have asked them to start a co-operative movement in order that a uniform scale of prices may be printed and distributed, both for the benefit of the public and for the schools whose graduates adhere to the charges authorized by their registry.

If such information were widely disseminated it would put an end to this exploitation on the part of commercial registries and would add greatly to the prestige and esteem of the nursing profession. The public has very often, particularly during the epidemics when there are insufficient nurses to meet the demand, accused the nurses of profiteering, and it seems only proper that every effort should be made to protect the profession from such indignity.

—From the *Bellevue Alumnae Bulletin*.

LETTER FROM MISS LILLIAN D. WALD

April, 20, 1922.

Dear Friends:

I know that the Treasurer has in due form sent you acknowledgment of the \$100.00 check which you so liberally assigned to the work of the Nursing Service of the Henry Street Settlement, but no secretary could tell you how deeply moved we all were, and very particularly the Settlement members of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association.

The tie that binds us is very close, and though the Settlement has expanded into an inclusive, cosmopolitan, international group, those of us who received inspiration from the New York Hospital and who felt impelled to apply that inspiration for community service, could not help regarding your gift with sentiment and appreciation, transcending even the value of your most generous donation. We cannot but hope, particularly your colleagues in the Settlement, that the gift reflects something of the sentiment and the loyalty with which we receive it.

Very sincerely yours,

LILLIAN D. WALD.

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BY HENRY VAN DYKE

I love thine inland seas,
Thy groves of giant trees,
Thy rolling plains;;
Thy river's mighty sweep,
Thy mystic canyons deep,
Thy mountains wild and steep,
All thy domains;

Thy silver Eastern strands,
Thy Golden Gate that stands
Wide to the West;
Thy flowery Southland fair,
Thy sweet and crystal air,—
O land beyond compare,
Thee I love best!

PROPOSED CLUB HOUSE FOR BUSINESS WOMEN

Plans for the erection of a \$2,000,000 club house for self-supporting women were submitted to several hundred business women at a meeting last week at the Hotel Pennsylvania, called by the American Women's Association. A Committee of 1,000

women prominent in the business world will have complete charge of all management of all details of this plan.

The new Club House when completed, will contain 800 bedrooms, many with private baths, all tastefully arranged, to be offered at a moderate rental to all members, out-of-town members and guests of members. The club will contain dressing rooms where members may come in to dress when they must go directly from business to an evening social function. There will also be a checking room where members may leave their packages and bags, and a trunk room and a safety deposit vault for the use of members.

On the street floor there will be a restaurant serving table d'hote and cafeteria, and shops possibly including a beauty salon, millinery, shirt waists and other shops handling feminine necessities. There will be a lounge, library and writing room, billiard and assembly room, reception rooms for the use of private parties, a private dining room, gymnasium and swimming pool. So that the residents may enjoy the privilege of entertaining guests as they would in their homes, attractive small reception rooms will be provided. Residents will also have the use of the facilities of a laundry and two hospital rooms. The staff of the building will include a resident trained nurse.

The estimate approximate cost of the building will be \$2,600,000. This includes the cost of a centrally located plot of land 200x100, the erection of the building, furnishings and carrying charges.

"This is essentially a club for American business women," Miss Robinson Smith explained. "It is a social club with living accommodations, not a hotel or apartment house. The woman who lives here will have all the facilities she desires for entertaining her friends, opportunities to meet congenial people and enjoy such social life as she herself chooses. Membership will be restricted to 5,000 business women.

The club will be purely social. It will be democratic, self-governing, non-political, non-partisan, non-sectarian. It will be self-supporting, not subsidized.

ITEMS OF NEWS

Miss Marie Falconer, Class of 1908, has given up her work in Santo Domingo City, where she has been for two years, and is now in the West.

Miss Myrtle A. Pelly, 1910, sailed for Africa April 25th, stopping over in England for ten days.

Miss Betty Grayson, Class 1919, will relieve at the Western Electric Office for June, July and August.

Miss Mildred Gibson, 1914, has returned from China and will take up private nursing.

The Misses McDougall and Nudell gave a tea in the Club Library on May 22nd for Mrs. Van Huzon. Miss Isabella Gordon poured the cheerful cup of tea. Those present were Miss Gillette, Misses Hitchcock, McCabe, Seacord, Robinson, Armstrong, Anderson, Aberneathy, Trimpl, Playter and Muirheid. A very delightful time was enjoyed by all.

Miss Abbie Robinson gave a Whist Party in the early part of May for Mrs. Van Huzon, also. Many of Mrs. Van Huzon's classmates were present, and a very pleasant afternoon spent.

On May 22nd, Miss Rose Green gave a very enjoyable Tea in the Club Room for Mrs. Hackett and Miss Hackett, who had just returned from China. They had visited our nurses at the Peking Union Medical College. Mrs. Rogers is improved in health, all the others well, busy and happy.

The N. Y. H. will be well represented at the Convention at Seattle. Mrs. Twiss, Misses Goodrich, Jordon, Anderson, Golding, Paget and Benz being among those attending.

Miss Goodrich and Miss Eldridge will be the guests of honor at the New York State Nurses' Dinner.

Miss Vera Playter returned from a very enjoyable trip to California in early May. Miss Playter took charge of the Public Operating Room at the N. Y. H. on June 15th.

A large number of nurses of the Class of 1922 have taken rooms at the Club.

Miss Lena Hubbard is in San Antonio, Texas.

Miss Grace E. Lawrence has resigned from her position as Dr. B. Palmer's Operating Room nurse and is welcomed back to the private duty nursing ranks.

Miss Catherine B. Hay is in Washington for the summer. The headquarters of the Atlantic Division of the American Red Cross is now in that city.

Mrs. Esson Reid has completed her course in Domestic Science at Columbia University, and sailed July 4th, for Europe.

Mrs. W. A. Kellogg and little daughter left July 1st for their Camp at Seventh Lake in the Adirondacks, where they will spend the summer.

DANCE

A very successful dance was held at the Club on the evening of February 4th, under the auspices of the "Committee on Ways and Means," for the benefit of the Fund for Sick Nurses. Although it was a very busy time and hard to create much enthusiasm, the result was satisfactory financially and socially.

After meeting expenses, we had Ninety Dollars (\$90.00) in the treasury, and later a check was received from Mrs. Vincent Astor for One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) which made us feel like "bloated bond holders".

The music was good, the floor in excellent condition, the girls very handsome in their pretty frocks; dancing partners for every one, and some over.

Miss Pauline Jordan, Near East Relief worker, is engaged in one of the most unusual tasks that has probably figured in the annals of relief activity.

Miss Jordan and her associates at Alexandropol are building a metaphorical wall of dough daily as a safeguard against the incursions of famine into the city where they are located.

If the appetites of the 20,000 children who are in Alexandropol are to be satisfied, this wall of loaves of bread must be daily erected, 10 feet high and 60 yards long.

This wall and similar walls built in other Near East Relief centres, if placed end to end, would stretch 186 yards and assuage the appetites of 56,000 children. The weight of the wall daily aggregates 26 tons.

All the loaves of bread are baked in orphanage bakeries, and the children themselves assist in the task as a part of their vocational training.

The trouble with the wall, however, according to statements of Miss Jordan and her co-workers, is that despite its dimensions it is not large enough. Unless funds for more loaves of bread are forthcoming from America one out of every four children in the Near East will starve.

Miss Jordan, who is superintendent of education and one of the nurses in charge of Alexandropol, is really in a storm center, since the situation in the city is serious, and cannibalism is said to have broken out in some of the nearby villages.

ALUMNAE NEWS ITEMS

A horrible accident shocked Lakewood, N. J., on April 3rd. Mrs. Ellen Hair, 1910, Lakewood District Nurse, in crossing the railroad tracks, was struck by the train, hurled ninety feet in the air, striking a telegraph pole, where no doubt she received instant death.

Mrs. Hair went to Lakewood last October, and soon endeared herself to all those who came in contact with her. She had a winning personality, and was a superior nurse, full of tact and sympathy. For two years Mrs. Hair served as an overseas nurse during the war. She returned to this country so ill and exhausted, it took months for her to recover.

Mrs. Hair loved her life and work in Lakewood, and loved to serve. In this world it is said "We get what we give." Mrs. Hair gave love generously, and it certainly was returned to her.

Her loss is deeply felt by all who knew her, and her skilful services as a nurse were appreciated by all the District.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church. Rev. C. P. Butler conducted the services, assisted by Rev. Wm. C. Kidd, who paid a most sincere tribute to the never-tiring efforts of the deceased. Many floral tributes were in evidence, and the casket was draped in an American flag, given by the American Legion. The flag accompanied the remains to its final resting place, at Boulder, Kansas. Mrs. Hair's husband is buried there. Six members of the American Legion acted as pall bearers during the ceremony. Miss Hair, a sister-in-law of the deceased, accompanied the body on the journey.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Jordan has gone on the A. N. A. excursion to Seattle. The best wishes of the Hospital and Training School go with her, and we hope she will have a most enjoyable time.

We expect to have Miss Sarah Moore back with us after spending a month's vacation at Brookville, Pa.

Miss Elsie Davies sailed on the Majestic, June 17th, for England, where she will spend her vacation. Miss McFadden, 1903, is substituting for her.

Miss Walton attended the Annual Meeting of the Spanish-American War Nurses, which was held in Washington in April. While there, she went over to Arlington to the beautiful plot which is dedicated to "Spanish-American War Nurses", to lay a flower on the grave of our dearly loved Amy Holmes, who is resting there so peacefully.

We were all glad to welcome Miss Rough back, after her vacation, which she spent in Montreal.

Miss Josephi left for her home, Portland, Oregon, July 1st. She expects to be away about six weeks.

During the past three months a number of our graduates have been on the sick list, but we are glad to say most of them have convalesced.

Miss Marie Frasius, who has been ill on the 4th Floor, P. P. B., for some time, left recently for Chicago, where she will convalesce at the home of her sister. Her trip was made more pleasant by the company of Miss Ella Rogers, 1915, who was on her way to Chicago.

Miss Lehmkuhl is now a patient on the 4th Floor, P. P. B., and is convalescing after an operation for Mastoiditis.

Miss Ellison, from Campbell Cottages, was a patient on the 8th Floor, P. P. B., for a short time, and after a slight operation was able to go on her vacation.

Miss Frances Cobbin, 1906, spent the month of June with her class-mate, Mrs. George McCarthy (nee Miss Kelshaw) at Wyoming, New Jersey, and is now staying at Campbell Cottage.

Miss Binns, who has been ill for the past few days, is expecting to leave for her home, Newmarket, Canada, during the next week.

Everybody at the Hospital thoroughly enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Ed. Duff (nee Maud Towle, 1916) and her little daughter. They spent the day in New York, on their way to Maine to spend the summer.

Miss Evelyn Sandys has returned from her vacation, and is going to take Miss Osborne's place as relief nurse.

Miss Butcher and Miss Osborne are leaving for their respective homes, to spend the summer.

Miss Velma Vollette, 1922, has accepted the position as Charge Nurse of one of the Operating Rooms and the Solarium for the summer at the Lying-In Hospital.

Miss Cerny, after a short illness, is spending her vacation at Bay Shore and Boston. Miss Rea is taking charge of the Children's Ward during her absence.

Miss Bartlett has gone to her home in Newfoundland, where she expects to remain for the summer.

Miss Warringer, who has been in the Public Operating Room for the past three years, has resigned, and is going to be with the Federal Reserve Bank. Miss Playter is taking her place.

Miss Daly is leaving very soon for a two months' vacation in Montreal.

Miss Mary Bosquett sailed June 27th, with her aunt, Dr. Margaret Sullivan, for an extended trip to Europe.

Miss Cecil Morrison has left for her home in Toronto, where she will be indefinitely.

IN MEMORIAM

The Class of 1899 records with sorrow the death of their classmate and friend, Susan V. Gifford, who will long be remembered for her work at the House of Relief, Hudson Street. We extend our sympathy to her family in their bereavement and ask that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Alumnae Association and a copy be sent to her family.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Parsons LaFetra,
Florence M. Taylor.

Members of the New York Alumnae Association were shocked and saddened to hear of the death of Mrs. Ella Hair, Class of 1910, who was instantly killed in Lakewood, N. J., on April 3, 1922, when the automobile she was driving was struck by a locomotive.

Mrs. Hair had been doing Public Health Nursing in Lakewood for about six months; she was very happy and successful in her work, and had made many friends there.

She went overseas with the New York Hospital Unit in August, 1917, remaining with Base No. 9 until it was ordered home in March, 1919, when by request she was transferred to Coblenz. She remained on duty there for another six months.

Mrs. Hair did much for her soldier patients beside giving them actual nursing care and after her return to the States she kept up her interest in the ex-service men.

This interest is evidenced by the fact that members of the American Legion at Lakewood acted as her pall bearers and sent a large American flag on her casket to its resting place in Boulder, Kansas.

Mrs. Hair will be very much missed by her many friends.

(Signed)

M. Maude Fauquier,
Clara Greene.

FUND FOR SICK NURSES

It is quite evident that "The Fund for Sick Nurses" still has friends. Mrs. Hoskings has brought in about thirty new members, besides gifts from her friends.

Miss Sutcliffe has given a \$100.00 Liberty Bond as an Easter Offering to the fund.

MARRIAGES

Miss Rebecca Sullivan (1917) to Erik Achorn, A.M., P.H.D., Boston, Mass. on June 2nd, 1922.

Anna Marie Strube (1917) to Adolph Stave, May 17th, 1922.

Marjorie T. Clarke (1920) to Robert O. Bouton, Elizabeth, N. J.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Giesemann, nee Katherine Jacobus, (1919), 44 Beach Road, Great Neck, L. I., a son, Ernest Jacobus Giesemann, born April 5th, 1922.

Born to Dr. and Mrs. Clay Ray Murray, nee Mary Savage Hamilton (1916), a daughter, March 1st, 1922.

DEATHS

Mrs. Alexander Johnson, nee Miss L. T. White (1905) at the New York Hospital, May 28th, 1922.

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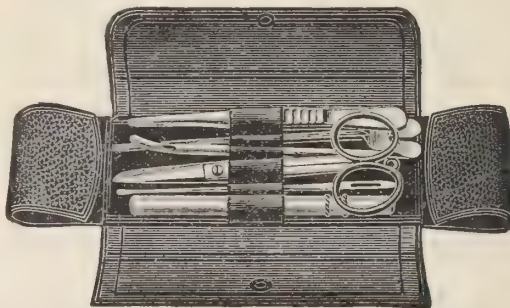
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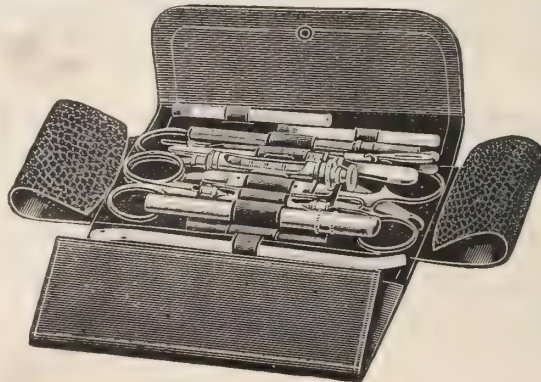
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MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held Thursday evening, October 12th, 1922.

The New York County Nurses' Association will hold its next meeting October 3rd, 1922 at 132 East 45th Street. The New York Hospital Alumnae will act as hostesses. As many of our members as can possibly go, are urged to be present.

The State Convention is to be held in New York, October 24th, 25th, 26th, and 27th, 1922, at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

NOTICES

ALL GRADUATES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL, COMING TO LIVE AT THE CLUB, WILL PLEASE BRING THEIR RECEIPTS FOR ALUMNAE DUES.

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The Alumnae members who have not remitted their dues for 1922 are requested to do so before December 1st.

The dues for 1923 are payable in January. For members residing District No. 13 the amount is \$3.00 and \$2.00 for non-resident members.

CLUB NEWS

Miss Lavinia Wood, Registrar left for her vacation in May. Miss Muirheid relieved for her and took her vacation in June. She will continue in the office in Miss Wood's place until Oct. 1st.

During the month of June Miss Hatton took charge of the register, and in August went to Canada for an extended vacation, Miss Palser relieving for her.

Miss Palser also relieved for Miss Dear at night during the month of July.

Miss Gillette spent her vacation in Brockport, N. Y., taking parts of August and September. Miss Wood, assisted by Miss Palser, took Miss Gillette's place during her absence.

Cupid's dart struck our switchboard very hard recently, flew into the chair and stole the heart of one of our faithful, efficient and valued workers—Miss Margaret Dugan. We all wish her the greatest happiness in her married life.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Jordan returned from the Convention filled with enthusiasm for the West. She had a most interesting and satisfactory trip. After her glowing accounts some of us felt quite ready to quit work here and go West ourselves.

Miss Elsie Davies returned from a delightful visit to her beloved England. She has resumed her work as night supervisor at the hospital.

September brought its many changes. We are glad to welcome back Miss Robinson and Miss Secord from vacations at home in Canada. Miss Lund and Miss Edith Jones from vacations spent at Saratoga and at Avon-by-the-Sea. Miss Eileen Daly returned to take charge of Wards K. and O. after a two months leave of absence and in spite of all that vacation time we are sorry to say she arrived ill after her train trip.

While we were welcoming these back a number of others made eager departure. We all wished Miss Walton happiness on her usual September vacation. Miss Alice Maxwell came to take charge of the O. P. D. during Miss Walton's absence. Miss Hazel Emmett is spending her vacation at home in Toronto and Miss Bethyl Bane is relieving her in the admitting Ward for the month of September.

Miss Osborn, who relieved on Wards M. and I. for a short while, left suddenly to take up Public Welfare work in Hartford, Conn.

Miss Helen Sayre has given up Ward L. and is planning to stay at home for a few months to live "like other folks."

Miss Margaret Wilson who has been in charge of Wards H. and G. for several months, returned to her home in Woodstock, Ont., for an extended vacation period, Miss Kribbs taking charge of Wards H. and G.

Miss Hunter, librarian of the Social Service Dept. is spending her vacation out of town.

During the Summer months Miss Clara Rathbun has been relieving in the Social Service.

Miss Victoria Ibbetson of the Social Service left for a trip up the Sagenaw River where she will spend part of her vacation.

Miss Gladys Butcher has taken charge of the Syphilology Clinic and Miss Irene Kelly is relieving for the Tuberculosis Clinic.

PERSONALS

Miss Laura Barrett spent her vacation at Huntington, L. I., and, at Asbury Park, N. J.

Misses Cromwell, Nicodemus and James motored to Middleburgh, N. Y., where they lived the simple, out-of-door, life.

Miss Hildick was at Avon-by-the-Sea, N. J., and at Sterling, Mass.

Miss Mathilde Jouffret was at Swanton, Lake Champlain, N. Y.

Miss Aliene Hewitt was at Newmarket, Canada.

Miss Himes was at Troy, N. Y.

Miss Gladys Morton spent her vacation in the Adirondacks being relieved by Miss Helen Bronson.

Miss Leilla Finney is at her home in Toronto, Canada.

Miss Nina Sinnott is at the Beekman Street Hospital.

Miss Maude Ferguson made the club a flying visit on her way from Tennessee to Maine. She returned to her work in Tennessee September 1st.

Mrs. Eric Achorn (Rebecca Sullivan) writes: "We are taking a trip through Normandy, Brittany and the Valley of the Loire and expect to settle down in Paris late in September.

Miss Maude Creighton spent her vacation at Brantford, Canada.

Miss Lillian Kidney went to Centre Island, Toronto, Canada.

Miss Amy Wright went to Renfrew, Canada.

Miss Irene Sutcliffe left the club in May for her summer home at Mountainville, N. Y.

Miss Francis Smith spent her vacation at Shallow Lake, Canada.

Miss Nina Graham spent her vacation at Miscoka Lake, Canada.

Miss Beveridge was at her home at Wyckoff, N. J.

Miss Sarah Bonnell spent a pleasant time with her friend, Mrs. Ferrand at Munith, Mich.

Miss Denike went to Ocean Point, Maine.

Miss Mary Gregory had charge of Camp Scatil, Wingdale, N. Y.

Miss Annie Earle was in charge of Camp Songo, Casco, Maine, during July and Aug., and sailed for West Indies on Sept. 14th.

Miss Christine Harvey was at Camp Inkawa, Greenwood Lake, N. Y.

Miss Dorothy Lawrence relieved Miss Larkin at Fernald Hall, Barnard College, for her vacation.

Miss Margaret Munn had charge of the Fresh Air Home for Crippled Children at South Hampton, L. I.

Miss Vera Playter took charge of the Public Operating Room at the New York Hospital.

We all sympathize with Miss Ethel Fennemore and Miss Florence Creighton in the loss of their sisters and Miss Annie Earle in the loss of her brother, Dr. Earle.

Miss Juliette Lachat sailed for Switzerland on La Bourdonna, July 13th.

Miss Anna Goodridge attended the Convention at Seattle, Wash. and lectured in the West for two months.

Miss Mary Warringer has accepted a position in the Federal Reserve Bank.

Miss Clara Green had her vacation in July, spending it at Indian Lake in the Adirondacks.

Our sick nurses who have been at the Hospital since our last issue are Miss Lehmkuhl, Miss Binns, Mrs. Stave, nee Miss Strube, Miss Nelson, Miss Hatton, Miss Rowsell and Miss Edith Jones.

Miss Marie Falconer left on Aug. 10th to join Miss Dora Browning at Mexico City.

Miss Bertha Lehmkuhl has resigned from her position at the Orthopedic Hospital.

Miss Feagles relieved Miss Minnie Taylor at the Pennsylvania Hotel Hospital.

Miss Zula Stupplebean and Miss Susie Armstrong spent a pleasant time at Watch Hill, Rhode Island.

Miss Marie Falconer spent a very pleasant week with Miss Verna Smith in Toronto, Canada.

Mrs. Ella Rogers sailed from Shanghai on July 8th. From San Francisco she will go directly to the Mayo Sanatorium. Mrs. Rogers has not been well for quite some time, she is bringing with her a

Chinese table cloth as a gift for the Club from the N. Y. H. Nurses. Including Miss Houston.

Miss Ohle Gill, Class 1901 has taken charge of St. Luke's Hospital, Duluth.

Mrs. A. C. Strube and Mr. Adolph Stave, desire to express sincere thanks for the sympathy extended to them in their great sorrow (to the Members of the Class 1917.)

Miss Elizabeth Bower went to Ocean Point and Kineo, Me. for the summer.

Miss Colver made a short visit on Miss Irene Buckland on her way home from a case in Canada.

Miss Dumond spent her vacation at her home, Wheelerville, Pa. Miss Betty Feagles, Walkill, N. Y.

Miss Rutherford at home, Toronto, Canada.

Miss Annie B. Avery, Falmouth, Nova Scotia.

Miss Teresa Carpenter, Horicon, N. Y.

Miss Boucher was at St. Anthony's Hospital, St. Anthony, New Foundland, for three months. (Dr. Greenfield's Hospital.)

Miss Helen Kenneally, who left us in May has visited in Nebraska, has gone on now to Minnesota, she writes she likes the West very much.

Miss Blackly spent her vacation at Jackson Point, Canada.

Mrs. Margaret Rogers' vacation was spent at Shelter Island Heights, L. I.

Miss Mabel Starr spent a part of her vacation at Highland, N. Y.

Miss Isobel Phymister, at Kennebunk Beach, Maine.

Mrs. Mabel Knudson took an extended trip to California.

Miss Marjory Lewis at her home, Pittston, Pa.

Miss Nellie McCrae and her sister made a very extensive trip through the Canadian Rockies, Yosemite Valley, Seattle, Portland and San Francisco.

Miss de la Cour, who served two years in the war has just returned from her home in Denmark, where she has been ever since.

Miss Mary Cameron has accepted a position at the Orthopedic Hospital, taking up her new duties on September 15th.

Miss Zula Stuppelbean expects to spend the winter in Italy.

Miss Anne Reutinger, Class of 1904, has accepted a position to take charge of the Training School for Nurses, at St. Mary's Hospital.

Miss Martha Palser has accepted a position at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Social Service work. She will be missed from the Club staff.

Miss Maretta Wilsey and Mrs. Chapman spent their vacation on Seventh Lake in the Adirondack with Mrs. Dr. Kellogg.

Miss Marie Shedden, Miss Frances Bell and Miss Kribbs at Crystal Lake, N. Y.

Miss Sarah Gowen spent her vacation at North Haven, Me., with her classmate, Mrs. Aycrigg.

The New York Hospital Nurses who attended the National Convention held in Seattle, Wash., June 26-30, were: Miss Lydia Anderson, our President and Official Delegate; Miss Jordan, Hospital Delegate; Miss Benz, Miss Paget, Mrs. Twiss, Miss J. Wood, Miss Russell, Miss Helena Stewart, Miss Goodrich, Mrs. Edgar Brown, nee Miss Neakley, Mrs. Charles F. Harris, nee Miss K. I. Sutcliffe. It is with great regret that we are unable to print our Official Delegate's Report.

PACIFIC COAST TOUR

The Pacific Coast Tour to the Convention at Seattle under the management of the New York State Nurses' Association with Mrs. Julia Kline the efficient Chairman, was a very great success.

Leaving New York on our own train and picking up the officers and jolly members of the party at Albany, Utica, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo, Chicago and other places we numbered 144, the larger percentage of whom were New York State nurses.

There were sight-seeing trips at Chicago and St. Paul—a delightful day at Banff, and one at Lake Louise—a hot trip through Fraser's Canyon—a night ride at Vancouver—and finally, the arrival at Seattle with the greeting, "Hail! Hail! the gang's all here" by a band. The week at Seattle I will not speak about, except to say it was a week of delightful re-unions, hard work from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m., and a memory of wonderful roses, which were generously given us by the people of Seattle, our rooms being supplied daily.

San Francisco and the Golden Gate charmed us. There our party divided, 75 going to Southern California and the Yosemite, to Nature's marvels, there to enjoy (?) and bake in a temperature some said of 110 degrees! Fifty-four went to Salt Lake City and the Yellowstone and enjoyed there hail, snow storms and the pleasant sight of many feet of snow on the grounds back of some of the hotels.

Words fail me in describing Yellowstone. At Salt Lake City most of the party rejoined for the homeward trip, stopping at Colorado Springs and Denver, then back to New York.

There was a large reception at Portland, where the grounds were illuminated with Japanese lanterns. At San Francisco and Colorado Springs we were entertained, and the nurses of Salt Lake City came to the hotel to make us welcome to Utah.

Every night on the train we gathered for songs and stories, Sunday having hymns, there being song leaders and much jollification "Old McDonald had a farm" being a popular air.

Much work and many dollars were gathered in on the trip West, by the sale of candy, raffles, etc., under Miss Benz's hard work, and the Relief Fund of the Association is \$100 plus the richer by her labors. A song composed by the New Jersey State President, was dedicated to the State Association and copies sold for the Relief Fund. Many interesting things whereby money could be raised were done by the party for the Relief Fund.

We were gone 30 days, travelled over 9,000 miles, slept on the train 18 nights.

We lost, temporarily, two of our party; one said she had been sight-seeing—the other was absorbed by the attractions of Salt Lake City and “watched ‘Gideon’ sail by!”

There were nurses from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Maryland, Pennsylvania and other States, who joined us. At the New York State Nurses' Convention in October, a “tour” luncheon will be given at which many pleasant friendships will be renewed and an hour passed in memories of the Tour to the Land of the Western Skies.

LETTERS FROM MEMBERS OVERSEAS

Cape Palmas, Liberia,
West Africa,
May 1st, 1922.

We have come to a new station since Christmas and it is indeed “new” in every sense of the word. I am with other missionaries. A man and a woman. We are the first women that have been seen in this part and of course are quite a curiosity. Very few of the inhabitants have ever been to the coast to see a white man even, and we are the first missionaries to this tribe. It is five days as we travel from our most interior station and we had to pass through three other tribes, who as yet have no missionaries, to get here. We walked or were carried in a hammock by two men, all the way and it was quite an experience. At night we had all sorts of places to put up in. Sometimes a mud house and sometimes a bamboo one which reminded me of the advertisements I have seen of “porous knit.” Usually we have some company, sometimes a few fowls or a goat or two. We are living in a mud house ourselves just now, but it has windows and doors and aside from the fact that the roof is not a very good protection against the sun and rain and that the floor is a very dirty one, it is not so bad. At least it does very well for the present and I hope that some day we can have a few planks sawed and have a plank house. Crowds visit us daily and we are trying to learn the language and look forward to the day when we can speak to the people in their own tongue and tell them the wonderful story of Redemption. I think it will be the greatest moment of my life when I see the first Pahn man or woman take a real stand for Christ and be truly saved.

ETHEL L. BINGHAM, Class 1912.

Miss Ethel Robinson writes from the Peking U. M. College:

"The heat has been terrific this year beginning early in June. Fortunately our vacations began July 1st and we are down on the coast of the Yellow Sea. Even here the sun is too hot for walking except late in the day. In Peking, we have only a small artificial lake in the Forbidden City which was constructed years ago for the pleasure of the old Empress Dowager.

"We had the tail end of a typhoon here the other day. We went in bathing in the rain and the waves almost knocked us over."

"We have been here over a year and a half, but we seldom think about it, for we shall be so sad when the time comes to depart. As yet, only one nurse has gone back at the expiration of her three years."

Miss Gladys A. Adams who went to France in March, 1922, with the Rockefeller Foundation, writes from Nantes:

"The Preventorium and the School Nursing are established and working well, the former under the Croix Rouge. I wish you could see it -A lovely, big, jolly garden with trees and flowers and loads of space, 30 boys from six to twelve years, all wearing red and white aprons. There is an American barrack fitted up with running water for basins, showers, and toilets, "chaise longue" and cover for each child, desks for school work and a gym teacher to direct their exercises. When the weather is fine, they dine out under the trees. It is a lovely place and the kiddies do awfully well."

"The school work is done by nurses under the direction of a doctor who worked with the Americans during the war and who last year visited the Henry Street Settlement. She is most progressive."

"I am expecting to spend my vacation with my sister in Morocco."

"There is an old-time saying that anyone bent on accomplishing the most in life must 'hitch his wagon to a star.' According to modern science, the nearest star is so far away that the transportation of one individual to it, reckoned at the established rate of three cents per mile, would call for all the money in the world—and when that individual got there, he would not have the cash to bring him back. But that does not daunt anyone who is bent on reaching the summits. He "hitches his wagon to a star," just the same. We know that the best way to realize the most that is attainable in human progress is to fix one's aspirations on a high point, and then, if one can reach that point, to set one's eyes on another point farther on.

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BIRTHS

At Fresno, Cal., June 13th. A girl to Mrs. Edwin Ellis (Annie Shannamand).

Mrs. M. E. Maitland, nee Alice Lyster, class 1918. Sept. 13. a son.

MARRIAGES

Miss Laura Lawrence, 1915, to Mr. Samuel Warren Mays at Stamford, Conn., June 10th, 1922.

Miss Jessie Victoria Tissereau, 1920, to Mr. Philip Herbold at Santa Ana, Cal., July 1st, 1922. At home after July 15th, 968 South Harvard Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Mary L. VanHuzon, 1905, to Mr. Smith L. Moulter, at Worcester, N. Y., June 30th, 1922.

Miss Gladys Roche, 1920, to Captain Alan Ferrier, June 10th, 1922, at 336 Lewis Street, Ottawa, Canada.

Miss Brenda Tayler, 1917, to Mr. Chas. R. Scott, April 27th, 1922, St. James Church, London, Ont., Canada.

Miss Diana Fowler, 1921, to Jonathan Hadfield, M. D., St. John's Church, Toronto, Canada.

Miss Pauline Bullock, class 1920, to Mr. Allen Pratt Miller, Rouses Point, N. Y., on Sept. 2nd, 1922.

Miss Mildred Anderson Young, Class 1918, to Mr. William Pitt Potter, August 30th, 1922, Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.

Miss Sarai Woodward, class 1913, at Palm Beach, Florida, July 28th, 1922, by the Rev. Jas. Calhoun of the Presbyterian Church, to Dr. David Alexander. Address, South Palm Beach, Florida.

Miss Dorothy Mildred Jones, class of 1921, married to Mr. Thomas James Patten, Jr., Sept. 9th, 1922. Kansas City, Missouri.

DEATHS

Mrs. Adolph Stave, nee Miss Anna Marie Strube, 1917. Suddenly at the New York Hospital, July 25th, 1922.

Dr. Frances Shine, in Paris, France.

IF WE ONLY UNDERSTOOD

If we knew the cares and trials,
Knew the efforts all in vain,
And the bitter disappointment,
Understood the loss and gain—
Would the grim eternal roughness
Seem, I wonder, just the same,
Should we help where now we hinder,
Should we pity where we blame?

° Ah! we judge each other harshly,
Knowing not life's hidden force—
Knowing not the fount of action
Is less turbid at its source;
Seeing not amid the evil
All the golden grains of good,
And we'd love each other better
If we only understood.

Could we judge all deeds by motives
That surround each other's lives,
See the naked heart and spirit,
Know what spur the action gives,
Often we would find it better
Just to judge all actions good!
We should love each other better
If we only understood.

—Kipling.

“Pleasure comes through toil and not by self indulgence and indolence. When one gets to love work, his life is a happy one.”

—Ruskin.

"We stamp our own values upon ourselves and cannot expect to pass for more."

"The great thing in all education is to make our nervous system our ally instead of our enemy."

"The youth who doesn't look up will look down, and the spirit that does not soar is destined to grovel."

"True luxury is the appreciation of the beautiful, the good things of Life—the sunset—the shadowy shapes of trees—the harmony in music—the strength in architecture, and the Ideal portrayed in a beautiful picture."

"The world is made up of two great classes of people—those who want success and wish for it and those who want success and wade right in and work for it. Work is the net price all must pay to travel the highway of progress."

"God bless the Good Natured for they bless everyone else."

—Beecher.

"'Twas only a glad 'Good Morning,'
As he passed along the way,
But it shed the Morning glory
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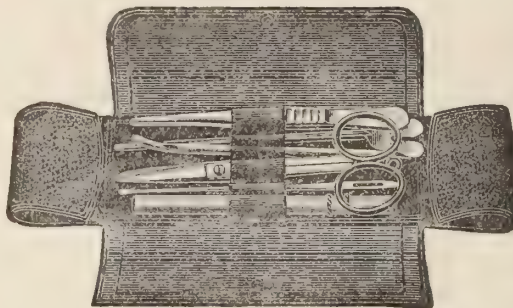
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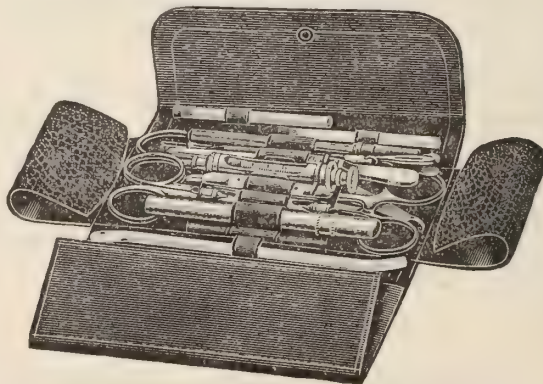


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The Alumnae News

"Would have your Christmastide
As glad as the bells that ring.
The nicest one you have ever had.
The best in every thing."

May the New Year bring cheery days and jolly days, full of glad and kindly things.

Our Club will be "at home" to all its members and friends on Thursday, December 28th, from four to six o'clock.
All are sure of a happy welcome.

NOTICES

ALL GRADUATES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL, COMING TO LIVE AT THE CLUB, WILL PLEASE BRING THEIR RECEIPTS FOR ALUMNAE DUES.

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT CLUB AND REGISTRATION (\$10.00) MUST BE PAID BEFORE THEY CAN REGISTER.

N. GILLETTE, Superintendent.

MEETINGS

The regular monthly meetings of the Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses are held at 8 p. m. the third Wednesday of each month at St. Stephen's Church, West 69th Street, near Broadway. Mr. Leagle is Chaplain. All nurses are invited to these meetings.

Meetings of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street at 8 p. m. Please be prompt.

Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the first Thursday of every month.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 1922

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club House on Thursday, October 12th, at 8 p. m.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and the following correction made: "The President spoke of the generous check sent by Mr. Larenburg with the request that Miss Jordan be empowered to use the money for any nurse, graduate of undergraduate, who may be ill and in need of financial aid" should read "The President spoke of the generous check sent by Mr. Larenburg with the request that Miss Jordan be empowered to

use the money for any registered nurse, who was a graduate of the New York Hospital who may be ill and in need of financial aid". With this correction the minutes were approved as read.

The Treasurer's reports and the Club House reports for three months were read and accepted.

The reports of the meeting of the Board of Trustees were read and approved.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee read the following names and proposed them for membership:

Miss Marie G. Crisafulli
Miss Ruth O'Brien
Miss Hilda F. Gaunt
Miss Alice W. Hicks
Miss Helen Neikirk

Miss Margaret O'Mahoney
Miss Aldah Shultis
Miss Greta Shultis
Miss Elizabeth Davis

It was voted that upon the payment of dues these nurses be accepted into membership of the Association.

The Chairman of the Social Committee reported that the nurses in China had sent a very beautiful table cloth to the Club, and it was voted that a letter of appreciation be sent to the nurses who were: Miss Houston, Miss Tom, Miss Robinson, Miss Holland, Mrs. Grace Rogers, Miss Jacobus and Miss Weaver, and that the Association show this appreciation and gratitude by a rising vote of thanks.

There was no report from the Legislative Committee but Miss Sutcliffe spoke of having a political meeting and moved that a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to arrange for at least one meeting where we could hear from a representative of the Republican and Democratic parties. This motion was carried and the following committee appointed: Mrs. Rogers, Chairman, Miss Sutcliffe, Miss Gowan, Miss Jordan and Miss Edna Williams.

Miss Jordan asked if the pupil nurses could attend the lecture and was answered in the affirmative.

Miss Benz spoke of the Reserve Fund and reported that in 1909 it was transferred into the Furnishing Fund and that there was a balance of \$408.84 which belongs to the Club and cannot be used for the Jane A. Delano Fund so the Chair appointed a Committee of Miss Cromwell, Chairman, Miss Chappell, Miss Wilsey, and Miss Luce to solicit contributions to cover the pledge of \$100.00 to the Jane A. Delano Fund.

The following letters were read:

One from Mr. Howard H. Nieman, a lawyer, to the Sick Benefit Fund announcing that under the will of John P. Faure this Fund receives a legacy of \$500.00.

One from Miss Isabel L. Evans, President of N. Y. Counties Association, District 13, asking for contributions to defray the expenses of the State Meeting which is to be held in New York, and suggesting that each Alumnae Association contribute at the rate of 50 cents for each paid up resident member but our

President wrote Miss Evans that this Association would give \$100.00.

A letter from Miss Evans in regard to the coming Roll Call for the American Red Cross asking for our co-operation and for us to appoint a committee to work with the general committee. Miss Benz moved that the Red Cross Committee have charge of this work. Seconded and carried.

The following names were brought before the Association for reinstatement:

Miss Frances Butler
Mrs. Graves
Miss Mary Roberts

It was voted that, upon the payment of back dues, they be reinstated as members of the Association.

The President told the Association of the State Convention of the American Nurses Association which is to be held in New York on October 24, 25, 26, 27. Each Association is supposed to send one delegate to every 10 members which would entitle us to 35 delegates. Miss Sutcliffe moved that the delegates be appointed from the Chair and the following members were named:

Official delegate, Miss Bertha Luce

Miss Sutcliffe	Miss Cromwell
Miss Anderson	Miss Goodrich
Miss Smith	Miss Golding
Miss Holland	Miss Duncan
Miss Moore	Miss Reutinger
Miss Fennemore	Miss Dinehart
Miss Pencheon	Mrs. Twiss
Miss A. M. Colver	Miss Bower
Miss Abbie Robinson	Miss Benz
Miss Clara Green	Miss Vroom
Miss Laura Barrett	Miss Malgren
Miss M. M. Jouffret	Miss Cerny
Miss Gowan	Miss Olsen
Miss Muirheid	Miss Daly
Mrs. M. L. Rogers	Miss Rough
Miss Jordan	Miss Secord
Miss Wilsey	Miss Florence Johnson

Miss Golding told the Association of the program of the Convention which promises to be very interesting. Miss Anderson asked that our honorary President, Miss Sutcliffe, represent the Association at the dinner to be given during the Convention and if she could not go to ask Miss Smith, the Vice-President, to go.

Miss Benz spoke of Mrs. Halsted, who was Miss Hampton, Mrs. Shine, who was Miss Barker, Miss Maher, and Miss Lena Kelly as having recently passed through great sorrow, and it

was voted that the Secretary write letters of sympathy from the Members of the Association.

The death of Mrs. Stave, who was Miss Anna Strube, was reported and Miss Shultis and Miss Simpson were asked to draw up resolutions to be placed on the Minutes of the Association.

Miss Benz asked if the new Articles of Incorporation had been recorded at the City Hall and the Chair appointed a committee of Miss Benz, Chairman, Miss Muirheid, and Miss Colver to investigate this question.

After the business had been transacted the members of the Association had the great pleasure of hearing Miss Anderson read a paper on the Convention at Seattle and of her interesting trip in the West.

After this the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY F. HOLLAND,

Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9th, 1922

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club House on November 9th, at 8 p. m.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Club House report and the report of the Treasurer were read and accepted.

The report of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees was approved as read.

Miss Sutcliffe reported that there had been a Political Meeting held at the Club and that there was a large attendance. Speakers from the Republican and Democratic parties spoke.

There was no report from the Chairman of the Jane A. Delano Fund Committee.

The Chairman of the Red Cross Committee reported that the American Red Cross has chosen two Red Cross Nurses, Miss Stella Fuller, who has been chosen for the work in Alaska, and Miss B. R. Stevens, who will serve the needs of the islanders off the coast of Maine. Miss Delano bequeathed \$25,000 to the American Red Cross, the principal to be used for the support of one or more visiting nurses under the supervision of that organization. These nurses are to be known as the "Delano Red Cross Nurses".

The Lake and Atlantic Divisions of the A. R. C. have been consolidated into one Washington Division with headquarters at Washington, D. C., but office room is still to be maintained in New York City. Miss Florence Johnson, acting as assistant to the National Director, will serve as a clearing house, where nursing personnel may report and where information and assistance may be obtained as to disabled nurses, their hospitalization, etc.

Announcement is made by Major Stimson that the La Verne Noyes scholarships are open to ex-service women as well as men. This will be of interest to Red Cross Nurses who served in the Army and Navy Corps during the war.

These scholarships are to be given without regard to sex, race, religion or politics and to be confined to citizens of the U. S who served in the Army or Navy since April 6, 1917. The scholarship is for a college education.

The R. C. Nursing personnel is steadily being withdrawn from Europe. On September 1st, under the A. R. C., there were only 15 on duty.

Attending the A. R. C. Convention in Washington last month there were 61 R. C. nurses, many of these representing the leading nurses of the country.

The Annual Roll Call of the American Red Cross commences Armistice Day, November 11th, and it is hoped that all will join or renew their membership through the Alumnae Association and try to get one new member.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee presented one name, Mrs. M. L. Nuttall, for membership and it was voted that she be accepted into membership.

The Chairman of the Committee regarding the Articles of Incorporation reported the following: "Investigation by the Committee appointed by the President at the October meeting to ascertain if the Certificate of Incorporation of this association, amended April 14th, 1921, had been recorded at the Secretary of State and County Clerk's office, showed that this had not been done. When steps were taken to have these amendments recorded it was learned that due to a miscarriage of the proper procedure to follow the Certificate of Incorporation stands unamended. The records show that the Certificate of Incorporation was recorded in 1900 at the time this association was incorporated."

After the reading of this report the Chairman of the Committee moved that the Committee be disbanded. Seconded and carried.

Miss Benz then went into the subject very thoroughly and told the members that our Certificate of Incorporation was not legal. No change could be made without the consent of a Judge of the Supreme Court and to change it we must have a special meeting. This request must be signed by the President of the Association, the Secretary and a majority of the Board of Directors and if the Judge approves the change or changes may be made.

The following changes were open for discussion:

1st "RESOLVED, That the purpose of this corporation be extended by adding the following: 'To assist financially or otherwise any nursing organization or project tending toward and pertaining to the betterment of the profession' and that the Directors and the President and Secretary be and they hereby

are directed to make, sign, acknowledge and file proper certificates to effectuate such extension of purposes."

2nd "RESOLVED, That the time of holding the annual meeting of this corporation be and is hereby changed from the second Wednesday of April to the Second Thursday of January in each and every year, and that the President and Secretary of this meeting be and are hereby authorized and directed to file a supplemental certificate containing a complete and correct transcript of the minutes of this meeting duly certified, verified and acknowledged by them, pursuant to section 15 of the Membership Corporations Law."

There was a straw vote taken on these changes which was carried.

Miss Benz then moved that the Chair be empowered to appoint a Chairman with power to appoint her own committee, and that the Chairman of this committee be empowered to obtain the assistance of a lawyer for the purpose of preparing the necessary papers. Seconded and carried.

A motion was then made that the Secretary be directed to call a special meeting for the purpose of voting on the proposed amendment and that this meeting be called on December 14th. Seconded and carried.

LETTERS. The Secretary read a letter from Miss Lena Kelly thanking the member of the Association for their sympathy in a time of sorrow. Also a card of thanks for sympathy from Mrs. Halsted.

NEW BUSINESS. The President spoke of the serious accident to Miss Zabriskie and it was voted to send a letter and flowers to her and Miss Sutcliffe was asked to take charge of this.

The following ticket for officers in District 13 of the County Association was presented:

For President—Mrs. M. F. Brockway, R.N., (Manhattan and Bronx).

For Vice-President—Miss Emily Robson, R.N. (Pres. Hospital Alumnae Association.)

Recording Secretary—Miss A. Isabelle Byrne, R.N. (Roosevelt Hospital Alumnae Association.)

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Annie McDougall, R.N. (Post Graduate Alumnae Association.)

Treasurer—Miss Ester Riley, R.N. (Roosevelt Hospital Alumnae Association.)

Directors—Miss Clara B. McMillen, R.N. (St. Luke's Alumnae Association.) Miss Lelia F. Townsend, R.N. (French Hospital Alumnae.)

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary send this ticket to the Chairman of the nominating committee of District 13.

The President appointed a Committee of Miss Fennemore, Chairman, Miss Butcher, Miss Carling and Miss Duncan to personally call on or write to each member who has joined the

Association this year, urging them to subscribe to the American Journal of Nursing and to come to the meetings of the Association.

The President called attention to the fact that all those nurses who had not registered under the waiver could do so until the first of January.

Attention was called to the fact that the Club would be twenty-five years old on the first of March and Miss Benz moved that Miss Sutcliffe be Chairman of a Committee and to appoint her own committee to get up a celebration. Seconded and carried.

Miss Benz moved, and it was seconded, that there be a quarterly financial statement of the Club House and the Alumnae Association published in the News. After much discussion for and against, the motion was not carried.

The following names were elected by ballot for the Nominating Committee:

Miss Dorothy Lawrence, Chairman

Miss Helen M. Daum

Miss Bertha Lehmkuhl

Miss Nellie McCrae

Miss Eleanor Hildick

Miss Bertha Luce, official delegate to the State Meeting, gave a very vivid and concise report of the meetings, extracts from which will be published in the News.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY F. HOLLAND,

Recording Secretary.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Vacation time being over the charge Nurses have each returned to their respective duties. Miss Gaunt, Class 1922, has taken charge of Ward L.

Two dances have been given recently in the Reception Room of the Nurses' Home. An informal Hallowe'en one by the Nurses and Doctors and at Thanksgiving a Masquerade Party to the Graduating Class by the Class of 1924. Both were largely attended and very much enjoyed.

A surprise party was given to Miss Walton a short time ago by the pupil Nurses. All appeared in "funny dress" costumes and the evening was most pleasantly spent. The party was given to celebrate Miss Walton's twenty years in charge of the Dispensary and she was presented with a very pretty tea set from her friends the Nurses.

The Hospital put on its regular festive array for Thanksgiving and our thanks is extended to the Hospital and Dietetians for a splendid dinner beautifully served. The spirit which prevailed throughout was transmitted to the outside by the Social Service Department which sent their usual 120 Thanksgiving Baskets.

Miss Louise Zabriske (1913) who was unfortunately injured in an automobile accident a few weeks ago, is still a patient in the Private Patients' Building but is improving daily.

Miss Gladys Butcher spent Thanksgiving with her classmate, Miss Edith Cox, at her home in Westfield, N. J.

Miss Irene Kelly (1921) will relieve in the Social Service Department for a short time.

PERSONALS

Miss Marion Sydney Proctor (1914), was one of the nurses who received a scholarship from the University of Toronto, valued at \$350.00 each for the course in Public Health Nursing. Miss Proctor served at No. 22 General Hospital, B. E. F., France with the American Ambulance Hospital, Paris. The only condition imposed by the Red Cross upon the successful candidates for scholarships in this course is that they should serve in the Province of Ontario for at least one year after completing their course.

Miss Annie Goodrich was made an honorary member of Teacher's College at the State Convention held in October.

A clipping from the New York Times reads as follows: "Washington, D. C., Nov. 2nd.—The War Department announced today the award of a Distinguished Service Medal to Lieut. Col. Eugene H. Poole, Medical Corps, for service in the World War. The citation reads: "As surgical consultant with the 4th Corps, 5th Corps and then the First Army, he displayed unusual organizing ability, excellent judgment and professional attainments of the highest order in directing the work of surgical teams in the care of large numbers of wounded in various Hospitals at the front, during the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives. Then by rendering services of great value to the American Expeditionary Forces."

Mrs. Caroline Schenk has taken an apartment at 511 West 111th Street and will continue to do Hourly Nursing.

Miss Alice Strombom has taken an apartment at 38 Hamilton Place.

Miss Grace Traver has given up her apartment and has taken a room at the Club.

Miss Olive McDougal will spend her Christmas holidays at her home in Galt, Canada.

Miss Ethel R. Thomson (1913) returned from her long sojourn in Serbia on December 4th.

Mrs. Lionel C. Wood (formerly Alice Butler) has moved from Galt, Canada, to 55 Wilson Street, Woodstock, Canada. Her husband has severed connections with the Bank of Montreal and has gone into partnership with Mrs. Wood's father.

Miss Edith Gouinlock and Miss Amy Wright are spending the winter in California.

Mrs. Mabel Knudson returned October 1st from a delightful trip to California.

Miss Marian S. Doane (1913) has recently accepted the position of Supervisor of Nurses at Port au Prince Haiti. Miss Doane writes Miss Jordan thus: "Generally speaking we are nicely situated, found the nurses in a comfortable home with nice porches and gardens—good servants and the Hospital far better than I had expected. One story building, well aired and flooded with sunshine. Our chief diversion is swimming and horse back riding."

Miss Muriel Hall is taking a Public Health Course at Columbia College.

Miss Virginia Hunter has taken a room at the Club.

Miss Elizabeth Hay writes from Berlin: "Leaving for Scotland for a short time and returning to New York to see the old year out."

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Gillette in the recent loss of her sister.

Miss Jane Coleman (1918) has accepted the position of assistant Superintendent at the Hackensack Hospital, Hackensack, N. J.

Miss Florence Mosher has recently returned from a six weeks' vacation in Nova Scotia.

Miss Nicodemus spent a part of her vacation at her home in California, Pa., and the rest of it in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Ehrenzweig (Miss Backus) has gone to Greenville, N. C., to stay until spring with Miss Emily White, then she will join her husband in France.

Miss Sarah Olmstead, head of the Department of Nursing and Health at Oswego Normal School, spent a week at the Club while attending the State Convention in October.

Miss Bertha Lehmkuhl is taking a course in Hospital Administration at Teachers' College.

Miss Price has returned to the Club after an absence of six months.

Miss Elizabeth Golding is spending the Christmas Holidays in New Orleans with her family. Miss Golding reports that \$700 was realized for the Relief Fund by the sale of the Souvenir Programmes at the State Convention. This does great credit to District No. 13.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES OF HENRY STREET SETTLEMENT MOVE

Mrs. Jacob Schiff, in memory of her husband, has most adequately and attractively remodeled two houses on Park Avenue and 40th Street, and the offices of Miss Lillian Wald, Miss Annie Goodrich, Miss Shatz, the three field directors, and the record office force moved there from 265 Henry Street on November 15, 1922.

The building is provided with an assembly room, library, committee rooms and a lunch room where meals are served to the public from 11 a. m. until 8 p. m.

Carved in marble over the fireplace in the assembly room is this inscription suggested by Miss Jane Addams:

"This building is given in memory of Jacob Henry Schiff by his wife, Terese, and is dedicated to the cause of Public Health Nursing which he long fostered for love of progressive education, civic righteousness and merciful ministration."

EXTRACTS OF REPORT OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW YORK STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION

Madam President and Members of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association:

Your delegate begs to advise the members of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association, that she was in attendance of all meetings of the Annual Convention of the New York State Nurses' Association held October 24th to the 26th inclusive in the rooms of the Pennsylvania Hotel, which rooms were freely placed at the disposal of the Convention by the management of the hotel.

There were assembled a thousand nurses filled with abundant enthusiasm and inspiration to hear of the extensive developments in the various fields of nursing education and the increasing and extensive study of organized knowledge; to learn of the splendid work done by the members of the several committees, which was evidence of the large success that resulted from the committees' efforts.

A Report of the Meeting is presented as follows:

The Session was called to order by the President of the Association, Miss Alice Shepard Gilman.

The Reports of the Committees were read as follows:

Revision and Reorganization—Miss Katharine DeWitt, Chairman.

Legislation—Mrs. Anna L. Hansen, Chairman.

Nomination—Miss Rachel McCrimmon, Chairman.

Red Cross—Miss Isabel Lount Evans, Chairman.

Printing and Publication—Miss Mary Roberts, Chairman.

The Report of the Secretary of the Board of Nurse Examiners—Miss Elizabeth Burgess, Chairman.

The Report of the Annual Convention of American Nurses' Association—Miss Alice Shepard Gilman.

The Report of the Relief Fund (from October 24th, 1921, to October 24th, 1922)—Miss Sarah Graham, Chairman, as follows:

The Relief Fund of the American Nurses' Association since 1914 has aided 78 nurses. Benefits given as reported at the Seattle Meeting, \$14,000.00; total of fund to September 1st,

1922, as given in the American Journal of Nursing for October, \$64,923.43, making the amount collected since the fund was organized in 1911, \$79,323.43. In August \$450.00 was given to thirty applicants, averaging \$15.00 per month for each nurse, showing a need for a much larger fund.

The amount from New York State sent to the Treasurer for the Relief Fund from August, 1921, to September, 1922, as reported in the Journal—total \$3,150.09. Of this amount \$1,713.37 was sent in to the State Chairman. The Districts most active in the contributions are:

No. 1	No. 4	No. 13	No. 14
\$274.00	\$292.39	\$991.34	\$367.59

The interest of each delegate and nurse was aroused by this Report and responded with great rapidity with contributions amounting to something like \$1,200.00.

The proceeds of the Bazaar given by the Brooklyn Association in the Brooklyn Armory are to be contributed to the Relief Fund, which is reported to amount to a goodly sum.

The proceeds from the "Souvenir Programs" amounting to over \$500.00 will also be given to the Relief Fund. The Souvenir Program in booklet form 11 x 8½ inches was very beautifully and cleverly arranged by Miss Posten, and sold for 25 cents each.

A motion was made upon the suggestion of Miss Maxwell that a Committee of the Organization be appointed to send a letter to the Board of Trustees of the Hospitals to explain the operation of the Relief Fund and ask for their appeal in contributions.

Under the caption of "New Business" the State Association recommended the Amalgamation of the three National Organizations namely, The National League of Nursing Education, the National Public Health Nurses' Association and the American Nurses' Association—to function under one general head to be called "American Nurses' Association," with Sections.

A motion was made and carried—That a Committee be appointed same to consist of representations of the three Executive Committees of the three Organizations involved—to consider all phases of the proposed amalgamation and to make a report of the result of this conference at the next annual meeting of the New York State Association.

The Amendment regarding the increase of the A. N. A. Dues as follows:

The present status: District, 15 cents; State, 20 cents; A. N. A., 15 cents per capita, whereas the new law provides for: District, 15 cents; State, 20 cents A. N. A., 50 cents, making increase of 35 cents per capita, or 85 cents total per capita, which amount must be paid by February, 1923, or the State Association forfeits its right to membership. The increase of 35 cents on the A. N. A. to aid the National in its annual budget.

This Association will never permit its right to be forfeited

—and will respond with full payment of their dues as per increase of 35 cents per capita, as they have always done.

A Recommendation was made—That a Committee be appointed by members of the Association to make a general “survey” of all the Commercial Registries.

The question of what to do with the trained attendant and practical nurse was freely discussed. It was the consensus of opinion that unless these nurses are taken on the registry of the registered nurses, they will be utilized by the Commercial Registries, which is chiefly the condition at the present time.

A Recommendation was made that the Executive Committee of the State look to the establishment of a State Executive Secretary at a stated salary to visit and work for the several Districts.

Letters were read by the Secretary from Organizations in Buffalo and Syracuse extending invitations to the Association to have the next Annual Conventions in their respective cities.

A motion was made and carried—That we accept the invitation to have next Annual State Meeting at Buffalo, N. Y., inasmuch as three of the Officers elected were from Buffalo.

The Report of the Ballot Committee read as follows:

President—Mrs. Anne L. Hansen, Buffalo, N. Y.

First Vice-President—Miss Eunice Smith, Rochester, N. Y.

Second Vice-President—Miss Edith Brodie, Buffalo, N. Y.

Secretary—Miss Ella F. Sinsebox, Buffalo, N. Y.

Treasurer—Miss Louise M. Sherwood, Syracuse, N. Y.

Directors for Three Years—Miss Alice Shepard Gilman, Troy, N. Y.; Mrs. Julia Kline, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Directors for Two Years—Miss M. H. Jordan, New York City; Miss Julia Littlefield, Albany, N. Y.

Directors for One Year—Miss Elizabeth E. Golding, New York City; Miss Elizabeth Burgess, New York City.

It might be worthy of mention here, that this is the first time in thirteen years that the Presidency has been carried so far from New York City.

It was officially announced that Miss Elizabeth Burgess has resigned as Secretary to the Board of Nurse Examiners to accept a position as an Instructress at Teachers' College. Miss Alice S. Gilman having been appointed to succeed Miss Burgess as Secretary to the Board of Nurse Examiners.

Miss Irene B. Yocum, Registrar of the Central Registry for Nurses, presented a paper on “The Private Duty Nurse from the Standpoint of the Registrar.”

Your delegate realizes that this short, pithy paper cannot receive justice in synopsis. It should be reported in full, but space does not allow. The Registrar of the Central Registry for Nurses goes quickly to the root of the matter in each point touched. She points out the opportunities that are presented

to the private duty nurse for giving to the laity a "clear and proper vision" as to what her profession means to the community. As a Public Health Nurse, she will have a great opportunity for service among all classes of her patients.

She deprecates the fact that there are among the profession, nurses who are more interested in the arrival of the relief-nurse than in the welfare of their patients; those who are constantly complaining at everything pertaining to their profession; those who solicit the aid of the patients and their families to secure other and more remunerative vocations and, finally, those who overcharge for their services.

On the other hand, she has a deep sympathy for the nurse who serves the long hours faithfully and bespeaks for her better facilities for the prosecution of her labors; especially in the institutions. She mentions Mt. Sinai Hospital, with its large dressing rooms, shower baths and well built lockers, and recommends that hospital superintendents and Board of Management take notice of this essential for the solution of the present-day problems, and the building up of their quotas of students.

The subject of The Alumnae Association and its Duty to the Hospital as presented so ably by Miss Clara Stahley:

This paper, in its final analysis, was a strong urge for loyalty to the Hospital Administrations of the Hospitals by the various Alumnae Associations. The great need of this was plainly pointed out to the end that the great "spirit of service" and better nursing, the essence and soul of our life work, should be attained.

Miss Stahley enumerated the gifts of our Alma Maters, to our individual members, which gifts are abundantly given un-faithfully to each of us, beginning with our entrance as pupil nurses and continuing through our training and after, and showed how, with thoughtlessness and destructive criticisms, we become unworthy of these gifts. Miss Stahley showed that while it is true that the "ideal" relation of Administration and Alumnae will never be attained, it still remains the indubitable duty of each of us to loyally give of our best to Alma Mater, through each of the inevitable changes in administration. Above all, never make a destructive criticism.

Dr. Snedden of Columbia University presented a valuable paper on "The Principles Effective in Vocational Education, As Applied to Nursing Education."

The future of the American Journal of Nursing, presented by Miss Katherine DeWitt, Co-Editor.

Miss DeWitt pointed out that the Journal is the medium of dissemination of information of paramount value among the members of the nursing profession, and as such fills a very important place in the professional life of each nurse. Its future depends upon the support of the individual members. This is not only true in a monetary sense, but also in the support that should be given by each

member to the editorial staff. Each member should realize that it is her duty to "write-up" for the Editorial Staff any matter of interest pertaining to the profession of nursing.

It is earnestly hoped that this will be done, both for development and broadening of the individual and for the success of "Our Journal."

A very delightful motor trip was provided for the delegates from out of the city, through the courtesy of District No. 13. There were numbered in the participation of this interesting trip about 200 delegates, who left the Pennsylvania Hotel Thursday, October 26th at 3:00 o'clock in buses provided by The Gray Line.

The trip was followed by tea given by The New York County Chapter of the Red Cross at The Central Club for Nurses, No 132 East 45th Street.

A most important feature of the Program was the dinner given by District No. 13, Wednesday evening, October 25th on the roof garden of the Pennsylvania Hotel.

Your delegate cannot speak too highly of the success of the dinner, arranged by Miss Golding and her Committee. The Committee was fortunate in securing the co-operation of Dorothy Donnelly, Author of "Blossom Time," and who is also a much beloved producer of several plays given for nurses and boys "Over-There" during the War. Miss Donnelly presided as the Official Entertaining Hostess and was assisted by Dixie Howell, Lyric Soprano, Fredric Dixon, Pianist and Beatrix Baird, Intrepertative Dancer, in the rendition of a very beautiful program.

The tables were delightfully arranged, the menu excellent, and all during the dinner period music of appropriate selection was enjoyed by all.

The remarks circulated at the conclusion of the Convention all lead to the conviction that it will live long in the happy memory of all who were fortunate enough to attend it.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA W. LUCE,
Official Delegate.

THE CLUB AND POLITICS

A joint political meeting was held at the Club House on October 14th and was a great success. The meeting was well attended. The Club Room presented a gala appearance, with its walls covered with posters and the slogans of the various candidates.

The speakers were prompt in arriving and decently moderate in their arraignment of their opponents.

Miss Lydia Anderson presided and introduced the speakers of the evening, who were as follows: Frank J. Colman, Justice of the Municipal Court; State Senator J. J. Boylan, Assemblyman J. J. Donohue, Congressman Thomas J. Ryan, William

Reynolds and Elwood Robinold, all candidates for offices. The Republican District leader, Mr. Herman Beyer, was present also. Mr. Tom McManus, the Democratic leader, was unable to attend.

It was interesting to note that with two exceptions these men were self-made, the product of our own neighborhood, children of the West Side tenements, who have worked their way through college and up to their present status.

While not greatly impressed with the mental pabulum they offered us, we who are familiar with this neighborhood were greatly impressed with the courage and perseverance they must have possessed to have brought them to their present estate.

Out of the whole number of club residents but thirty-seven voted on election day. It is unfortunate that in a neighborhood where clean politics are so badly needed that a greater interest is not manifested by our members.

We are the largest club in our district and can, if we chose to exercise our privileges, have a tremendous influence on this neighborhood, as we will probably be a part of it until 1938 or thereabouts.

BIRTHS

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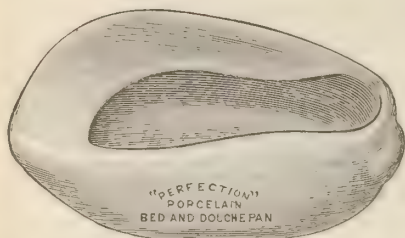
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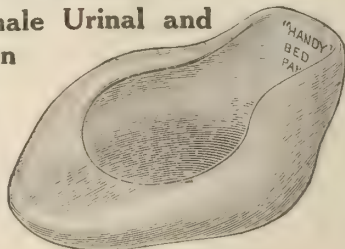
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NOTICES

Nurses who are leaving the Hospital and wish to have rooms at the Club are requested to let MISS GILLETTE, THE SUPERINTENDENT, KNOW AT LEAST A MONTH before their anticipated arrival.

A personal interview is more satisfactory.

Any change in date after a reservation is made must be asked for at least ten days before time of occupancy or prospective tenant will be held responsible for ROOM from date of reservation until re-rented.

ALL NURSES WHO WISH TO SIGN A LEASE FOR A ROOM AT THE CLUB FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1st, 1923, AND ENDING OCTOBER 1st, 1924, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SUPERINTENDENT NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 1st.

N. GILLETTE.

ALL GRADUATES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL, COMING TO LIVE AT THE CLUB, WILL PLEASE BRING THEIR RECEIPTS FOR ALUMNAE DUES.

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT CLUB AND REGISTRATION (\$10.00) MUST BE PAID BEFORE THEY CAN REGISTER.

N. GILLETTE, Superintendent.

MEETINGS

Meetings of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street, at 8 P. M.

Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the first Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

Miss Mary M. Roberts, editor of the American Journal of Nursing, will address the next meeting. A reception to the new graduates will be given.

The New York County Nurses Association holds its meetings at 132 East 45th Street, on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Annual Meeting of the New York County Nurses Association was held at the Central Club for Nurses, March 6th. The following officers were elected:

President—Miss Beatrice Bamber, R. N., Bellevue Hospital.

Vice-President—Miss Elizabeth Greener, R.N., City Hospital.

Secretary—Miss Ella Lawrence, R. N., Metropolitan.

Corresponding Secretary Miss McDougall, R. N., Post Graduate Hospital.

Treasurer—Miss Kerr, R. N., Bellevue Hospital.

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF DECEMBER 14, 1922

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club, Thursday, December 14th, at 8 p. m.

The Minutes of the last meeting was read and approved.

The Treasurer's report and report of the Club House were read and accepted as read.

The report of the meeting of the Board of Trustees was read and accepted.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee presented the following names for membership:

Miss Mildred Kime
Miss Muriel Massett
Miss Annette O'Brien
Miss Irma Tucker
Miss Katherine Tucker.

It was moved, seconded and carried these names be accepted for membership upon payment of dues.

The Chairman of the Red Cross Committee reported that \$120.00 had been collected for Roll Call.

The report from the Chairman of the Jane A. Delano Fund Committee was that \$194.00 had been collected, the result of a letter which had been sent to every member of the Association.

The following ballot was presented by the chairman of the Nominating Committee:

President—Miss Lydia Anderson, R. N.; Mrs. Laura L. Mays, R. N.

Vice-President—Miss Mary A. Smith, R. N.; Miss Laura G. Barrett, R. N.

Recording Secretary—Miss Ethel B. Goede, R. N.; Miss Helen A. Talcott, R. N.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Ethel Fenemore, R. N.; Miss M. Gladys Butcher, R. N.

Treasurer—Miss Sarah E. Moore, R. N.; Miss Eugenia A. Barnfield, R. N.

Trustees—Miss Abbie M. Robinson, R. N.; Miss Clara L. Green, R. N.; Miss Christina L. Harvey, R. N.; Miss Verna Smith, R. N.

It was moved, seconded and carried that this ballot be accepted as read.

Miss Fenemore reported that she had not been able to get her committee together yet but hoped to do so after the holidays.

The following letter from Miss Wald was read:

"Dear Miss Anderson:

Replying to your notice of the Special Meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Training School for Nurses of the New York Hospital I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to be with you.

I do, however, vote for the amendment. I think an organization with the prestige and standing of the New York Hospital should record in writing, as they do in fact and spiritually, their interest in measures for the betterment of the profession of nursing.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) LILLIAN D. WALD."

CORRESPONDENCE

The following tribute to Mrs. Stave was read:

"It is with sorrow the Class of 1917 records the death of Mrs. Stave, (nee Anna Strube). Her classmates will long remember her bright smile and sunny disposition.

"We extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family in their sudden bereavement, and ask that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Alumnae Association, and a copy be sent to her family.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) VELMA SHULTIS,
MARY SIMPSON.

New York, October 29th, 1922.

NEW BUSINESS

Letters of appreciation were read from Mrs. Shine and Miss Nellie Gillette.

Miss Barrett spoke of the Emergency Fund which amounts to \$312.00 and asked if it would be possible to add it to the Sick Fund.

This Fund was raised about five years ago but had been seldom drawn upon and it was suggested that the object of this fund be put in the By Laws. No decision was reached and the fate of the Fund was left for a future meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned and we had the privilege of hearing Dr. Rosilie Slaughter Morton tell of her experiences in Serbia during the war, and of her work of educating Serbians in this country.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY F. HOLLAND, Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF JAN. 11th, 1923.

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, January 11th, 1923 at 8 P. M.

The Secretary's report of the December meeting was read and approved.

The monthly reports of the Club House and the Treasurer were read and placed on file.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read and approved.

The annual report of the Secretary was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's annual report and the report of the Club House were read and accepted.

The report of the Social Committee was read and accepted.

The report of the Pension Fund, showing a balance of \$13,-385.73 was read and accepted.

There were no reports from the other standing committees.

The Chairman of the Jane A. Delano Fund Committee reported that she had received \$244.00 and spoke of the splendid response she had had from the appeal.

Miss Benz reported that the proposal to amend the Certificate of Incorporation was accepted by the Court and was recorded in the office of the Secretary of State on December 27th, and at the County Clerk's Office, December 28th, 1922.

It was moved that we accept this report and that the Committee receive a vote of thanks and be disbanded. Seconded and carried.

The question of the Emergency Fund was again brought before the meeting and the President asked for more time for its consideration.

Miss Sutcliffe spoke of the work of the Club House and how much of its success was due to the efforts of the Superintendent, and a rising vote of thanks was given to Miss Gillette.

Miss Benz moved that we redraft our By-Laws, and that the Chair be empowered to appoint a Chairman of a committee with power to appoint her own committee and to employ legal aid if necessary. Seconded and carried, and the Chair appointed Miss Benz chairman of this committee.

The Secretary read a letter from the International Serbian Educational Committee, thanking the nurses for their individual donations amounting to 31.50, which they had contributed to the work of Dr. Morton.

The Treasurer read the following names of nurses who have not paid dues of 1922.

Miss Gladys Adams
 Mrs. Parks Ansel
 Miss Mary Bryson
 Mrs. Frederick Coe
 Mrs. R. V. Estell
 Mrs. Alan Ferrier
 Mrs. Ernest Geismann
 Mrs. Ernest Hartman
 Mrs. Venon Heddons
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 Mrs. Cora Maycock
 Miss Helen Mishell
 Mrs. Victor Pederson
 Mrs. H. W. Boylston
 Miss Dorothy Salmon
 Miss C. C. Thompson
 Mrs. Alex Torelli
 Mrs. Wilson Wood.

It was moved, seconded and carried that these names be carried on the books for another month and a special effort be made to get the nurses to pay up their dues.

The President appointed Miss Florence Johnon, Miss Lehmkuhl, and Miss Cameron to count the ballots and Miss Muirheid and Miss Pencheon to confirm them. The following officers were elected:

President	Miss Lydia Anderson
Vice-President	Miss Mary A. Smith
Recording Secretary	Miss Ethel B. Goede
Corresponding Secretary	Miss Ethel Fennemore
Treasurer	Miss Sarah E. Moore
Trustees	Miss Abbie Robinson
	Miss Clara Greene

There were 86 votes cast. A motion was made to destroy the ballots.

Miss Sutcliffe moved a vote of thanks to the retiring Secretary. Seconded and carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY F. HOLLAND, Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8th, 1923

The regular mothly meeting of the Association was held at the Club, Thursday, February 8th, at 8 P .M.

The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and accepted.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read and approved.

The report of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was read and approved.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee presented the following names for membership:

Miss Lilly Lyon
 Miss Sylvia Patten
 Miss Juliette Blohme

It was moved, seconded and carried that these nurses be accepted into membership upon payment of their dues.

The report of the Chairman of the Red Cross Committee was read.

The President reported that the Emergency Fund was to be placed in the hands of the Treasurer.

Miss Sutcliffe reported on the plans made for the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Club, and announced the following members as Chairmen of Committees to assist her:

Gift Committee—Mrs. Peck

Reception Committee—Miss Anderson

Miss Jordan

Miss Gillette

Refreshment Committee—Miss Muirheid

Decoration Committee—Miss Hunt

Invitation Committee—Miss Jouffret

A rising vote of thanks was accorded Mrs. Peck for her efforts.

It was moved and seconded that a note of thanks be sent to Mr. Klinzing of the Electric Press for his generous gift of the invitations for the celebration of our 25th Anniversary.

The President appointed Miss Golding as Chairman of the Emergency Fund which was accepted by Miss Golding.

Miss Benz reported as Chairman of the By-Laws Committee giving various suggestions as to the necessary revision to be made and asking for further suggestions from the Association. As we had not heeded the request to bring with us our printed copies of By-Laws it was difficult to keep in mind the changes and to offer suggestions, so the President suggested that we hear only a part of the report and come to the next meeting with the printed By-Laws prepared to discuss the changes.

Miss Golding reported on the meeting of the New York Counties Registered Nurses Association, District No. 13, and announced that the Annual Meeting would be held on March 6th, after which the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL B. GOEDE, Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MARCH 8th, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, March 8, 1923.

The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read and approved.

The report of the Chairman of the Red Cross Committee was read.

The President announced that Miss Ethel Thomson would speak at the meeting.

It was moved and seconded and carried that Miss Wilsey be asked to take the Chairmanship of the Program Committee.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and accepted.

It was moved, seconded and carried that all members who had not paid their dues to the Association should be dropped and notified to that effect.

The President announced that Miss Benz had resigned as Chairman of the By-Laws Committee, and appointed Miss Duncan to take her place.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a recommendation be made to the Finance Committee that \$50 a year be sent to the National Relief Fund.

The President suggested that the members of the Graduating Class be entertained, and the motion was made and carried that they be entertained at the next meeting of the Association.

A motion was made and carried that the Secretary write a letter of condolence to Miss Florence M. Johnson, who recently lost her mother.

The following members were appointed as delegates to the New York Counties Registered Nurses' Association, District No. 13:

Miss Helen A. Bates
Miss Laura Barrett
Miss Emma E. Benz
Miss Florence Binns
Miss E. Bower
Miss Theresa Carpenter
Miss A. M. Colver
Miss R. Lee Cromwell
Miss E. M. Dinehart
Miss A. Duncan
Miss Ethel Fennemore
Miss E. E. Golding
Miss A. W. Goodrich
Miss F. M. Gowan
Miss M. F. Holland
Miss Helen Hunt
Miss M. H. Jordan
Miss Florence M. Johnson

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Miss Dorothy Lawrence
Miss Bertha Luce
Miss Flora MacNish
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Miss E. Olsen
Miss A. Pencheon
Miss A. L. Reutinger
Miss L. B. Rowe
Mrs. Grace P. Rogers
Miss M. Acton
Miss S. Cowie
Miss Minnie Taylor
Mrs. C. V. Twiss
Miss M. M. Wilsey
Miss C. Isabel Czerny

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, and we had the great pleasure of hearing Miss Ethel Thomson speak of her work with the Near East Relief Organization.

Miss Thomson was accorded a rising vote of thanks for her extremely interesting and vivid account of her experiences.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL B. GOEDE, Recording Secretary.

CLUB HAPPENINGS

The Club takes this opportunity to express its gratitude and appreciation to Miss Sutcliffe for a nest of beautiful tea tables given by her as her annual Christmas gift ever thoughtful, always kind.

The Club was presented with a silver loving cup at the Christmas holidays, given as a memorial to Miss Katherine Johnson, Class '81, who died Feb. 14th, 1904.

The cup was presented to Miss Johnson by the Medical Board of Christ Hospital, Jersey City, on her resignation from that institution.

It was given to the Club by Miss Virginia Hunter and Miss Ada B. Stewart, and was used for the first time at the annual tea given at the Club on December 28th, and although the weather man, most unfortunately, sent us almost a down-pour of rain all day, many of the nurses and their friends were indifferent to such difficulties and so we had about a hundred to take a cup of tea together, whilst renewing old acquaintance-ship.

Miss Sutcliffe was an ideal hostess, charmingly assisted by Misses Lemkuhl and Luce; the refreshments were dainty, tempting and abundant; and once within the radius of Miss Sutcliffe's genial presence, no one thought of regretting anything save that many of our friends were absent. Dr. Rosalie Morton and two of her Serbian students were with us and each gave an interesting five minute talk, relative to the Welfare Work among their own people. Everyone went away saying what a delightful time they had spent, and were sorry the hour had passed so quickly.

The response from Club members to the American Red Cross Drive was very gratifying we thought; though many of us wished the amount might have been doubled. In all we collected about \$45.00.

We have sold a number of the Leaders of American Nurses Calenders. There are still a number to be disposed of in Registrar's Office.

Receipts, \$7.00; T. B. Stamps, \$5.00.

A very successful dance was given by a group of Club members on January 20th at the Club House. Music was furnished by the Post Orchestra. About 40 couples were present. A very enjoyable evening was the unanimous verdict. Miss Beatrice Anderson, Miss Francis Bell, Miss Helen Hunt, Miss Betty Grayson and Mrs. M. L. Rogers were the active promoters of the affair.

On Friday evening, February 16th a farewell party was given at the Club in honor of Miss Helen Talcott, by a number of her N. Y. H. friends. The decorations were pink and white, the centre of attraction being a doll, garbed as a bride with a veil and shower bouquet of orange blossoms, over which was suspended an attractively decorated wedding bell, which con-

cealed an electric light, the sole illumination of the room. The party was a surprise to Miss Talcott which reached its culmination as she lifted the doll bride, and found concealed by her draperies, a Thermos Caraffe and tray, of old blue silver filigree, presented to her in honor of her approaching wedding. Refreshments were served, and the evening was greatly enjoyed, although there was an undercurrent of saddeness at the thought of the departure of Miss Talcott, who has always been a great favorite at the Club.

H. M. L.

Mrs. Grace P. Rogers, 1917, has returned from Pekin Union Medical College, and is living at the Club and will take up private duty for a time. Mrs. Rogers very kindly gave the Nurses a little informal talk on Feb. 12th on China, which was very much enjoyed. After the talk Mrs. Rogers showed several how to play the fascinating new Chinese game.

A Valentine party was given for the Misses Polly Star and Florence Binns, on Feb 6th celebrating their return to the Club after several months of absence, due to illness. The room was prettily decorated with hearts, arrows and cupids, the guests wore caps similarly decorted in true valentine fashion. Jokes, music and gossip flowed freely before refreshments were served.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Robinson we are sorry to say has left the Training School Office, but we are glad that she has not left the hospital. She has accepted the position as Supervisor of the Dietary Dept. and we wish her all good luck in her new work.

Miss Moore has succeeded Miss Robinson in the Training School Office, and Miss Edith Cox, 1921, has succeeded Miss Moore in her position.

Owing to ill health Miss Katherine Ryan has resigned as suture nurse in the Public Operating room, and is home convalescing. We hope she will be with us before long. Miss Masset, 1922, is now suture nurse for the Surgical Division.

Miss Daly, 1921, has resigned as charge nurse on Wards K and O and after a vacation expects to do private duty. Miss Webster, 1922, has taken Miss Daly's place.

A number of nurses have been off duty ill, during the past two months, Miss Lund and Miss Jones were among the unfortunate ones, but have returned to duty. The sick list shows a marked decrease.

Miss Kribbs who has had charge of wards K and G, has taken charge of the Urological Dept.

Miss Isabel Cerny has resigned her duties in the Children's Ward and is now doing Private Nursing.

After a nice vacation, Miss Bartlett has returned from her home in Newfoundland, and has taken charge of Wards H and G.

Miss Beatrice Don has accepted a position in the Social Service Dept. as charge of the Tuberculosis Clinic.

The graduating exercises of the Class of 1923, were held in the Governors' Room of the New York Hospital at eight o'clock, March 7th. After a few introductory remarks were given by Mr. Sheldon, a very interesting address was delivered by Mr. William Church Osborn, which was much enjoyed by the nurses and their large number of friends present. After the presentation of medals and diplomas, a reception was held in the reception room of the nurses' home.

GRADUATING CLASS

Vera Marjorie Beach	Christine Helen Mack
Alice Dee Conway	Anna D. MacDougall.
Etta Blanche Crane	Mary Josephine Morton
Alice Marcella Fay	Enid Noble
Gladys Muriel Fraser	Katherine Schuler
Bessie Gertrude Jones	Lorna Rose Vanderwerker
Ruth Evangeline Landes	Myrtle Van Williams
Jane Livermore	Juanita Wade

When the nurses went to luncheon at the N. Y. H., March 10th, they were greeted by a big surprise. The extension of the dining room having been finished, making more room for the staff nurses and Training School. The Social Service nurses and Special nurses were assigned seats in the new wing, where they found to their joy—the tables set most attractively with new linen, new silver and new dishes. New furniture and attractive curtains added much to the appearance of the wing.

We are all most deeply grateful for these details after having shivered in the early part of the season.

We are anxious to send thanks where thanks is due.

PERSONALS

Miss Dorothy Lawrence has left the Club (every one sorry) has taken a position at Columbia College.

Miss Myrtle Hawkins and Miss Ara Arnold have gone to Florida to spend the winter.

Miss Helen Hunt has a position with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

A very enjoyable Bridge party was given during the holidays by Miss Nina Sinnott and Miss Elizabeth Wilkinson.

Miss Feagles and Miss Cowie have both joined the Pennsylvania Hotel Hospital staff.

Misses Orr and Cameron have resigned from the Orthopaedic Hospital and have gone South for the winter.

We extend congratulations to Miss Ada Stewart and Miss Ethel Fenemore upon their recovery.

Miss Mary Beecroft is at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, Cal.

Miss Marjorie Lewis, Miss Traver, Miss McCabe spent their Christmas holidays at their homes.

Miss Frances Smith was called home during the holidays on account of serious illness of her mother.

Miss Durland, 1914, has taken the Superintendency of Nurses for the Tonsil Hospital, at 153 East Sixty Second St. Miss Durland is aided by a group of volunteer nurses, all of whom had training as nurses aides during the war. At night the children are attended by a graduate nurse.

Deep sympathy is extended to Miss Mabel McLay, Class 1917, in the death of her father.

The nurses who have been ill at the Hospital since our last issue are Miss Fenemore, Miss Ryan, Miss Cowie, Miss Feagles, Miss Hewitt, Miss Mabel Starr, Miss Crisafulli.

Miss Irene Sutcliffe spent the last two weeks of February in Atlantic City.

Mrs. Hoskings and Miss Garrett have been in the South with Mrs. Huntington.

Miss Lillian Wilson has been in Bermuda for two months.

Miss Marjorie Lewis has been to Camden, S. C., and Washington, with a patient.

Mrs. Margaret Rogers has been at Atlantic City convalescing from the gripe.

Miss Minnie Taylor, Class 1918, is in charge of the Operating Room at the Polyclinic Hospital.

Minnie M. Moore, who is connected with Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, paid a short visit to the Club in February renewing old acquaintance with her Classmates of 1918.

Deep sympathy is extended Miss Helen Daum, 1918, in the death of her brother, Dr. Daum of Chicago, Ill.

Miss Kraemer, Class 1920, went to Florida and spent considerable time, brought a patient back with her to the North, and returned to the Sunny South to enjoy private duty indefinitely.

Miss Julia Stimson sailed the middle of February for three months leave of absence, under the auspices of the American Commission for devastated France, to help establish a French Training School, according to American lines to be connected with a Hospital in Paris.

Deep sympathy is extended to Miss Florence Johnson in the loss of her mother.

Mrs. V. Elwenzweig (Miss Hazel Backus, 1910) sailed for Paris on Feb. 1st, to take up her residence there.

Miss Lena Hubbard writes, I expect to leave Seattle in April to go to California for a few weeks and then home by way of Salt Lake City and Denver. I love this country with its mountains and snow.

Miss Emily Stewart has resigned her position at the Penna. Hospital Hotel.

Miss Gladys Adams, 1910, writes from Paris, I have been exceedingly busy, my work is most absorbing and as a whole it is such an interesting thing I have little time to be unhappy. I am off for my vacation to Africa on Feb. 24th, via Algiers and Marseilles, returning by Grenada and Madrid, reaching Paris by Easter Sunday.

Miss Ella Rogers, 1915, writes from Nice, France. Am having a delightful time touring the Southern part of France.

A very beautiful tribute is being paid to Miss Bertha M. Gillette, sister of Miss Gillette, by the Board of Directors of the Reading, Pa., Y. W. C. A.

One of the Directors writes, the sum of 1,000 dollars is being raised toward the support of a Secretary in South America.

Collections are being raised at the World Fellowship Vesper Services held the last Sunday of every month.

The fund is to be called "The Bertha M. Gillette Memorial Fund."

Deep sympathy is extended to Miss Davies in the loss of her mother.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

The 25th Anniversary of the New York Hospital Graduate Nurse's Club was held March 15th, 1923.

A reception was held, Miss Gillette, Superintendent of the Club, Miss Lydia Anderson, President of the Alumnae Association, Miss Minnie Jordan of the Training School received the guests. Music was furnished by three pieces from the Strand Orchestra.

The right hand of fellowship was extended to all and a delightful atmosphere invaded the whole evening.

The History of the Club was written and read by Miss Ann Hatton. Dancing started a little after 10.

The rooms were very tastefully decorated by a Committee of which Miss Helen Hunt was Chairman. Hundreds of butterflies were suspended from the ceiling by invisible wires, the side lights being shielded by larger butterflies.

The Graduates of the Alumnae Association responded most generously and with the money given the members of the Committee purchased a beautiful old English oak table and bench and lamps for the library. Dr. and Mrs. Busby sent a very beautiful clock whose chimes tell us sweetly of the passing hour.

Mrs. Charles Peck is to be greatly thanked for contribution of the Announcement of the Anniversary Gift to the Alumnae Association.

The residents of the Club who are not Club members sent a very beautiful basket of flowers consisting of pink roses and orchids. This beautiful thought was much appreciated. Miss Susan Dwight Bliss sent a lovely bunch of jonquils.

Miss Mary Colgate sent a large bunch of spring flowers and roses.

BY REQUEST

The Social Committee reports that at each meeting held during the year a social time was held and refreshments served.

The aim of the Social Committee has been to have each time a hearty welcome for each and every one. To hunt up any one who enters the meeting who seems to be a stranger and assure her all are welcome here, that a good old social time is expected after the meeting. The Chairman of the Committee takes this opportunity to thank sincerely the various members of the Association who have so kindly aided in helping with the refreshments.

"There is always a song to the future
To the years that stretch on ahead,
There's always a toast to the things that are new
To life's books that have never been read,
But here's to what lies behind us,
The failures, the heart aches, the tears.
We are better able for just these things
To drink to the future years."

We wish that 1923 may be the brightest and happiest year in the Social World the Club has ever experienced.

L. M.

Some times we think the Alumnae News is not appreciated and why spend so much time and thought in detail gathering here and there a stray article—or an item of news.

Word came from China a few days ago: Oh! My! How we do enjoy our Alumnae News. If the mail does not bring each of us a copy we pass all our copies around in the crowd, for we are so eager for home news.

Another nurse writes from the West. Please send me all the copies of the News you can find from 1918 on, as I have not seen one since that date and am most anxious to get in touch with news from that date on.

Another nurse asks for a piece of poetry that she thought was found in a copy about 1921.

She said, "I had it but I lost it. I have been alone a good deal lately and have had time to think that one piece of poetry helped me so much—I do not know what I shall do if you can not find it." The copy was found and given to the nurse, who clasped it to her heart and smiled sweetly, her eyes glistening with tears. "You will never know how much it means to me."

These things fully repay us for all time and labor spent and urge us to Eternal vigilance in aiming higher to make our little News mean more and more to our large, scattered family, though one at heart.

MARRIAGES

Miss Janet May Rogers (1917.) to Mr. Frederick Gourlie Cole, Jr., January 20th, 1923, Toronto, Can.

Miss Tassie Muriel Stevens, (1914) to Mr. Frederick Basnet Thomason, February 5th, 1923, New York City.

At home after October 1st, at 58 Midwood St., Brooklyn.

Miss Edna Beal, (1917), to Mr. George Tyler, January 8th, 1923, at Lindsay, Ont., will reside in Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Helen Amanda Tallcot, (1918), to Mr. W. Vaughan Lewis, February 24th, 1923, Troy, N. Y. At home after April 1st, Riverview Manor, Hastings-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

Miss Sylvia Patten, (1922) to Mr. Kenneth Dayton, February 13th, 1923, New York City.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Potter (Miss Nellie Taylor, Class 1921), a daughter, January 30th, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Hedens (Miss Lucile Lucas, Class 1917), at Pasadena, Calif., February 13th, 1923, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Sulzer (Miss Caroline Coddington, 1916), in New York, March 1st, 1923, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Griffith (Miss E. Millette, 1917), in Montreal, Can., March 1st, 1923, a daughter.

DEATHS

Mrs. Hartley (Miss L. M. Weston, 1893). Died Feb. 10th at Ottawa, Can.

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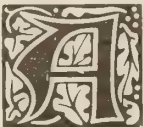
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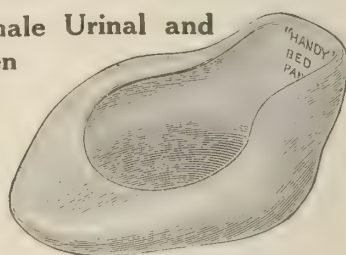
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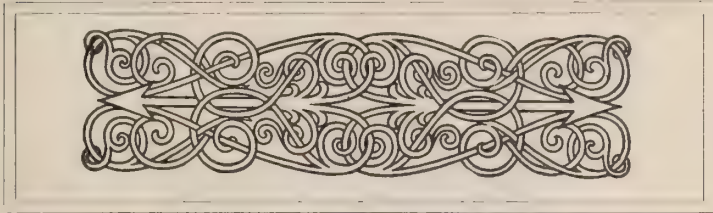
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NOTICES

Nurses who are leaving the Hospital and wish to have rooms at the Club are requested to let MISS GILLETTE, THE SUPERINTENDENT, KNOW AT LEAST A MONTH before their anticipated arrival.

A personal interview is more satisfactory.

Any change in date after a reservation is made must be asked for at least ten days before time of occupancy or prospective tenant will be held responsible for ROOM from date of reservation until re-rented.

ALL NURSES WHO WISH TO SIGN A LEASE FOR A ROOM AT THE CLUB FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1st, 1923, AND ENDING OCTOBER 1st, 1924, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SUPERINTENDENT NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 1st.

N. GILLETTE.

ALL GRADUATES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL, COMING TO LIVE AT THE CLUB, WILL PLEASE BRING THEIR RECEIPTS FOR ALUMNAE DUES.

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT CLUB AND REGISTRATION (10.00) MUST BE PAID BEFORE THEY CAN REGISTER.

N. GILLETTE, *Superintendent.*

MEETINGS

Meetings of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street, at 8 p. m.

Meetings of the Board of Directors are held on the first Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

NOTE: Proposed changes in the By-Laws will be voted upon at the October meeting. Please bring copy with you.

(Signed) MARY A. SMITH,
LYDIA E. ANDERSON,
ANNA B. DUNCAN,
Committee on By-Laws.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF APRIL 12th, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, April 12th, 1923 at 8 p. m.

The Secretary's report of the March meeting was accepted as read.

The report of the Board of Directors was read and accepted.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and accepted. Miss Moore stated that the recommendation made by the Association to pay \$50.00 per year to the National Relief Fund was approved by the Finance Committee and would be paid when our Treasury permitted.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee presented the following names for membership:

Miss Alice Dee Conway
Miss Alice Marceela Fay
Miss Bessie Gertrude Jones

It was moved, seconded and carried that these nurses be accepted into membership upon payment of their dues.

The following nurses applied for reinstatement as members of the Association:

Miss Maude Jones
Miss Helen Mitchell

The motion for reinstatement was carried.

It was announced that in memory of Miss Amy Holmes, her sister Miss M. Holmes wished to keep up her sister's subscription to the Association.

The report of the Red Cross was read.

The Chairman of the By-Laws Committee reported that the suggested changes were ready for the printer and Miss Duncan proposed that as a matter of economy of time and money they be printed in the July issue of the Alumnae News and voted on in the first meeting in the autumn.

It was moved, seconded and carried that this suggestion be carried out.

A motion was made and carried that a letter of appreciation and congratulation be sent to Miss Goodrich in honor of her winning the Distinguished Service Medal.

The President welcomed the new members of the Association.

Miss Holland announced that as an organization it would be fitting to contribute something toward the new Academy of Medicine and Miss Duncan suggested that since the Treasury was rather low we contribute individually, which was accepted.

The President suggested that an account of the celebration of our 25th Anniversary appear on the minutes of the Association and a motion to that effect was carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a letter of thanks and appreciation be sent to Miss Hatton for her efforts in writing up the History of the Club.

Miss Sutcliffe read the report of the celebration of our 25th Anniversary which was much enjoyed by all.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a vote of thanks be accorded Miss Sutcliffe and the members of her committee.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned and we had the privilege of hearing Miss Mary M. Roberts, Editor of the American Journal of Nursing, speak.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Miss Roberts be given a rising vote of thanks

The meeting closed with refreshments and we had the pleasure of becoming acquainted with our new members.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL B. GOEDE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAY 11th, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, May 11th, 1923, at 8 p. m.

The Secretary's report of the April meeting and the special minutes of the 25th Anniversary were read and accepted.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and accepted.

The report of the Board of Directors was read and accepted.

The Chairman of the Sick Fund Committee reported that Miss Sutcliffe presented to the Fund \$100.00. It was moved, seconded and carried that a letter of sincere thanks and appreciation be sent to Miss Sutcliffe.

It was announced by Miss Holland that a cheque for \$25.00 had been sent to the Academy of Medicine and had been accepted with thanks.

A motion was made and carried that a letter of congratulation be sent Miss Goodrich on her appointment as Dean of the new School of Nursing at Yale University.

The President announced that Mrs. Astor's gift of money for furnishing the Library had been finally used for that purpose.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a letter of thanks and appreciation be sent to Mrs. Peck and her Committee for the interest and work expended in refurnishing the Library.

A letter was read from Miss Pauline Jordan on her work in Russia where she has been working under the Near East Relief Organization.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned and the President announced that we would have the pleasure of hearing Mr. McAndrews of the Board of Public Education of New York.

It was moved, seconded and carried that we accord Mr. McAndrews a rising vote of thanks for his extremely interesting and valuable talk on recruiting for the nursing profession.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL B. GOEDE.

SPECIAL MINUTES OF THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, APRIL, 1923

At the first meeting of the Anniversary Committee it was decided to have a reception on the fifteenth of March and, (as several nurses had expressed a desire to send an anniversary gift that each member of the Alumnae Association should be asked to contribute to a general gift. Chairman of various committees were appointed and the work began.

The reception on March fifteenth was most enjoyable. About three hundred were present, many from out of town making a special effort to come.

A short but very clever sketch of the Club written and read by Miss Hatton was received with enthusiastic applause.

Exceptionally good music throughout the evening added to the pleasure of the guests and later to the dancing.

The announcement of the Anniversary gift met with ready response from over two hundred nurses, amounting to over eight hundred and fifty dollars. An old oak table, bench and lamps were selected, and so far as I know, have met the approval of the contributors.

As usual the best part was the hearty response and cordial co-operation of the nurses, each one entering into the spirit of the undertaking, and contributing to its success.

It want to thank the nurses for their generous and loyal support, and also for the letters of appreciation of the Club and all it has meant to them.

It is just these deeds of kindness and expressions of love and appreciation that bring sunshine into our lives.

(Signed) IRENE H. SUTLIFFE,

Chairman.

March 26, 1923.

My dear Miss Sutcliffe:

I greatly enjoyed the 25th Anniversary celebration of the New York Hospital Nurse's Club, to which you so kindly invited me. It was an interesting and stimulating occasion, and I congratulate you upon the success which crowned the undertaking. I felt proud to be connected with an organization that had graduated so distinguished a body of nurses.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) EDWARD W. SHELDON.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUNE 14th, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, June 14th, at 8 p. m.

The Secretary's report of the May meeting was read and accepted.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and accepted.

The report of the Board of Directors was read and accepted.

Miss Muirheid, Chairman of the Social Committee, announced that Miss Sutcliffe had presented the Club with the daisies for this meeting.

Miss Wilsey, Chairman of the Program Committee, announced that the speaker of the evening would be Miss Josephi and that at the first meeting in the autumn, Dr. Ward had consented to tell us of his work.

Miss Caroline Robinson applied for reinstatement in the Association and a motion to that effect was unanimously carried.

Miss Holland reported on the last meeting of the New York Counties Registered Nurses Association and urged that more of our delegates attend these meetings as our representation had been exceedingly small compared to that of other hospitals.

Miss Josephi then gave us a most interesting account of the Social Service Convention at Washington.

It was moved and carried that a letter of appreciation and thanks be sent to Mr. Huber for his generous gift and for his interest and kindness in the furnishing of the library.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL B. GOEDE, *Secretary*.

PERSONALS

Miss Amy Elliott, Class 1901, sailed for Japan on June 14th, to remain two years.

Miss Hilda Mahlgram, class 1914, is taking a patient to Europe, June 10th.

Miss Isabella Phymister, 1905, sailed with a party of friends from Montreal, Canada, on May 19th to remain in Europe a number of months.

Miss N. Gillette, Superintendent of the Club, spent her vacation in LeRoy, N. Y.

Mrs. Mabel Knudson, Class 1913, with a friend, has opened a very attractive tea room called The Gray Kitten "T" Room, at 253 West 73rd Street.

Miss Anna W. Goodridge has been made Dean of the Yale University School of Nursing, the first woman to head a school in a man's university.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wray (Elsa Wells) 1907, has just returned from Europe where they have spent a delightful year and a half traveling in France and Italy.

Miss Ruth Birdsall, 1909, has a Sabbatical leave from the Ethical Culture School where she has been School Nurse for the past nine years. She is spending her year conducting classes for the Red Cross Teaching Center and giving lectures on Hygiene and first aid to Girl Scouts leaders. This summer she will go to Camp Arden on one of the Belgrade Lakes in Maine. She has been nurse at this camp for several seasons past.

Mrs. Rollin Hills (Miss Charlotte Jouffret) entertained some of her classmates and hospital friends Sunday afternoon, June 3, 1923. She expected about twenty guests but owing to a very bad storm only nine were present. At the height of the storm Miss Walton arrived and entertained us all with her humorous stories of her experiences.

Letters were read from several classmates who were far away and unable to be present. A picnic supper was served and altogether we had a very jolly time.

Miss Isobel Walton, Miss Florence Mosher, Miss Gladys Morton, Mrs. Maurice Sanborne, (Leila Huyck) Miss Matilda Jouffret, Miss Carrie Strong, Miss Pearl Gravett and Miss Marietta Wilsey, were present.

Miss Matilda Joffret gave a tea for a number of her classmates and a number New York Hospital Nurses on April 15th. Some of them had not met for years and all had an enjoyable time.

Miss Clara C. Green, 1910, has resigned her position at Henry Street Settlement.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Curtis W. Kursteiner (Miss Stubbs, Class 1918) in the loss of her husband.

Miss Bertha Lehmkuhl has accepted the Superintendency of Nurses, St. John's Hospital Brooklyn, taking effect July 1st.

The Nurses who have been ill at the Hospital since our last issue are Miss Denike, Miss Crissafulli, Miss Bower. All on the high way to wonderful good health now.

We were all very sorry to learn that Mrs. Hoskings slipped and fell at Staatsburgh on Hudson and broke her collar bone. Mrs. Hoskings is still in the Hospital doing very nicely.

The 50th Anniversary of the Bellevue Training School of Nursing was celebrated at Carnegie Hall, May 14th.

Miss McGehee, Class 1910, has resigned her position at the Woman's Hospital.

On Wednesday evening, May 9th, a number of the friends of Miss Betty Grayson gave a farewell surprise party and shower, in the library of the club in honor of her approaching marriage.

With its new decorations, enhanced with roses and sweet peas, the library presented a most attractive setting, especially when the lights were all simultaneously turned on as the unsuspecting Miss Grayson made her appearance and found the room filled with her admiring friends.

Following the first burst of enthusiasm and surprise, Miss Grayson was presented with a club bag which she had recently discarded, newly decorated, however, with crepe paper and old shoes. Its contents consisted of many useful toilet articles, each with a verse attached, displaying much original wit.

A derelict was then brought forth in the form of another discarded suitcase, appropriately trimmed, containing a most attractive negligee and cap.

The lull which followed was soon dispelled and everyone greatly astounded by the unexpected appearance of two brown maids from the island of Java, in native garb, who burst into the room with great exuberance, to dance and extend welcome to Miss Grayson to her future Java home.

Delectable refreshments were served, soon followed by farewells and wishes for happiness to Miss Grayson, whose cheerful presence at the club will be sincerely missed by her many friends.

A clipping from the Murfreesboro News, Tenn., tells of the marvelous energy and executive ability Miss Maud Ferguson is displaying in her Public Health work.

Mrs. Alexander (Sara Woodward) has taken a room at the Club.

Miss Lena Hubbard has returned from a very extensive trip in the West, having enjoyed it to the fullest extent.

Miss Lehmkuhl presented to the Alumnae Association a very beautiful silver basket, which was used at the last Alumnae meeting for the first time.

Miss Florence Creighton left for her holidays in May.

Miss A. G. Armstrong, Miss M. S. Proctor, qualified for Public Health Nursing in Toronto, and received their Diplomas in May.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Vacations are now in order and Miss Moore is the first to leave from the Training School Office. She is spending her Holidays at her home in Pennsylvania.

Miss Josephi spent ten days in Washington, where she represented the Hospital at the Social Service Convention.

Miss Rough spent the month of April at her home in Montreal.

Miss Fay, 1923, after a few weeks night duty in the Operating Room, has taken charge of the Childrens' Ward.

Miss Vollett, 1922, who has been in charge of one of the Operating Rooms at the Lying-in-Hospital since graduation, is now Suture Nurse on the 1st Division.

Miss Bates substituted in the Private Operating Room for two weeks.

Miss Sands has returned to private duty after having spent some time as relief nurse in the Hospital.

Miss Gaunt, 1922, has resigned as charge nurse on Ward L and has severed connections with the nursing field for the summer.

Words fail to express how much we all appreciate Miss Jordan's unceasing energy in having had our reception room made so attractive, the new lamps, curtains, and handsomely covered furniture, has made the room just like home.

We extend to Miss Davies our loving sympathy in her recent bereavement and our appreciation of the wonderful fortitude with which she bore her great sorrow.

TO ALL EX-SERVICE NURSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

March 14, 1923.

The Jane A. Delano Post of the American Legion has acquired an enviable standing in the organization and commands the respect of all members who feel that the men and women who served their country so closely should always pledge their support to the Veteran Organization that is trying to see to it that the men and women who need our sympathy and care get it, and get it promptly.

It may be of interest to know that every bit of legislation which has been enacted in individual States and by the Federal Government, has been enacted due entirely to the earnest, well-directed (though unfairly criticized) effort of the Legion. One feature which must interest all nurses is the appropriation of millions by the Federal Government to build suitable hospitals for men and women who need hospital care. Although this amount was appropriated almost

two years ago, *not one hospital has been finished yet.* The Legion has persistently urged that the officials who represent the Government in this matter do their duty, or be removed.

It may be you have heard criticism of the Legion for so-called "interfering," and not knowing the facts would misjudge its intention. Frankly I may say that the Legion—being young and composed of a verile, cosmopolitan type of manhood—may be at times positive and not always politic in methods. However, it needs no defense when it comes to a matter of their service to the men and women who were incapacitated and who need our sympathy and backing. All the Legion needs is to be understood, not defended.

Will you not consider joining these nurses who are helping their sister nurses who came out of the conflict the worse for their experience?

For your enlightenment, may I say that of the \$4.00 dues in the Post, \$1.00 is set aside in the Welfare Fund, which can only be used to bring relief and comfort to the sick? Visits, flowers, reading matter, auto rides, theatre parties, etc., are provided, and when one of our number "passes on," suitable military honors are awarded her, and representatives of the Post attend in uniform carrying our colors and providing an American flag to drape over the casket.

Can you afford to remain apart from this peace-time service? Even though you may not be able to attend meetings, or work on Committees, will you not be a member of this United States officially authorized Veteran Organization, which, in years to come, will equal and far surpass the Grand Army of the Republic?

As a graduate of the New York Hospital I have been requested to secure the support of our Hospital group, of which I could not be a member due to the age limit, and which has not affiliated with us since the disbanding of the New York Hospital Post sometime ago.

As seventy-five per cent of the charter members of The Jane A. Delano Post were New York Hospital Nurses, **DON'T LET US FALL BEHIND NOW.**

An application blank is enclosed, and if mailed with your check for \$4.25, payable to Miss K. T. Roche, Treasurer, will bring a membership card and the official Legion pin.

May we look for your support in the worth-while work that the ex-service nurses are doing?

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NOTE: If you already have been a member and wish to renew—just send \$4.00 direct to Miss Roche so stating.

If a new member fill in the application blank (which can be secured in the Club office) and send with check for \$4.25 to Miss Grace Clarke, Chairman of Credentials Committee.

EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION

The Directorate of the Veteran's Mountain Camp, take this opportunity of thanking the nurses of the New York Hospital and

Club as well as their friends for their generous sympathy and support during the Poppy Drive. This camp is where ex-service men and women can find rest and possible cure and is primarily for those who cannot trace their illness to Government service and who therefore are not eligible to Governmental aid. They served their Country and should be cared for. Thus the American Legion, Department of New York, purchased this camp of 1,275 acres, paying cash, and will open it on June 15th for the care of sixty men and women. As the funds become available more buildings will be re-vamped and equipped for more patients. There is a waiting list of applicants, numbering between four to five hundred.

DONATIONS

New York Hospital—Miss M. H. Jordan.....	\$70.00
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	\$124.40

Flowers Cove, Newfoundland.

I intended writing you a Xmas letter (we don't have such modern inventions as Xmas cards here) but I might as well have thought of dropping in to visit you, for I never had a moment to do any writing, or do anything for myself. Xmas here lasts until twelfth night, when the Johnnies (as they are called) go about with a broom and sweep out Father Xmas from each house. We all went jonnying, but not on twelfth night. Everyone dresses in a ridiculous costume, and disguises himself and calls on every one in the village. It is quite a wild time sometimes. After the Xmas festivities were over we were busy organizing various community clubs and then gave a concert which entailed a good deal of work. So you can see although we haven't many patients in the winter, we are nevertheless kept pretty busy. At present one other nurse and I are here at Flowers Cove (on the West Coast) relieving the nurse in charge of the station for two weeks. It is great experience but very monotonous.

We have a house of our own, and do our own work, and answer any calls that come in. Fortunately there have not been very many, for we have had "shockin" weather, not fit for man or beast, to go out in. It was 40 degrees below and a stiff wind for a while, and about all we could do was try and keep warm. Flowers Cove is on the Straits of Belle Isle and the most exposed place imaginable, there isn't a sign of a hill or tree, nothing but snow and ice, there aren't any sports of any kind, as there are at St. Anthony. Mere existence is a struggle here in the winter. The brook, which supplies our water is a mile away, and during the cold snap the men were unable to go out and get any, so we lived on a bucket of water a day! Snow, of course, for washing, but much too dirty to drink, for a vessel carrying soft coal was wrecked in the straits in the fall, and everyone

here salvaged the coal, and has been burning it ever since. It has saved the men many hard trips to the woods for wood, of course, but the women have to work twice as hard, for it is the dirtiest sort of coal and the house is continually filled with soot. I shall be glad to see the gilded city of St. Anthony once more. Did I tell you I have decided to stay here until Sept. 1st and help out with the Summer rush, not very keen about it in some ways—too hard work but we loafed most of the winter, as far as nursing goes. It will be nice to see everyone again, although I don't know how I am ever going to live in a city it will seem very cramped, to say the least.

HELEN BOUCHER.

WHY NO RECREATION?

In nearly all factories and all department stores provision is made for recreation of employes in practically every department, but where is it made in hospitals?

By "recreation" is meant regular, well-planned "playtimes" for the nurses and doctors who need it really more than any group of people in the Industrial World.

So many girls come in training and give themselves up to hard routine work merely existing, many of them, as well as they can on the tiny bit of an income they receive while a pupil nurse. Giving, giving, giving all the time and getting what, in the way of pleasure? Where is their inspiration coming from and where is there any chance for them to develop the jovial, keen, good natured understanding qualities that should be part of the personality of every nurse. Certainly not in going to their room every night, or going for a bus ride, or to the "Movies."

It's missing—somehow—it has apparently been overlooked in the roar of the call as it comes, "We must have more nurses."

As Spring and Summer come along our nurses look tired, white, and they get cross and irritable. Presently some dreadful thing happens, an order is misunderstood; some rule is broken and the aspiring pupil's hopes of gaining her R.N. are dashed and she is dismissed. A blot is cast on her life, perhaps forever.

"ALL WORK AND NO PLAY MAKES JACK A DULL BOY"

A few weeks ago a mass meeting of nurses was held in the class room and a Recreation Programme was suggested for the future. This met with tremendous enthusiasm, and since then the nurses have been having some good times, and we hope are on the road to having many more.

Through the kind co-operation of the Central Branch, Y. W. C. A., a swimming class of fifteen girls has been started and a great many of the girls are out for baseball. We propose to organize eventually baseball, swimming, tennis teams, etc., etc., and in the end have our own NEW YORK HOSPITAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION with our own building, for our own rest and recreation.

At the meeting mentioned above, Miss Jordan gave us her hearty support and Miss Walton very generously donated \$5.00 from her Spanish War Pension Fund.

Dr. Richard Cabot says, "No life is well lived unless it is divided between Love, Work, Play and Worship." There is no life more needful of well living than that of the nurse, for in her hands, many times, she holds the scales which balance Life and Death and her hands should never tremble. Does she not need Recreation?

Any suggestions from the Aulmnae would be very deeply appreciated.

MY IDEAL NURSE

"My ideal nurse is neither large or small,
Has a wholesome smile first of all;
Is always congenial, there with a will,
Knows her profession—Ah! so well,
Studies her patient with a searching look,
Leaves with the doctor the order book.
Quiet and thoughtful of those in repose,
And never parks and talks of her beaux.
She must be clever in doing her work,
Quiet and swift, but not with a jerk;
Regards her health, as essential involved
In this study undertaken to solve.
Who is punctual on duty or at her meal
And hasn't a heart as cold as steel;
Always so pleasant and always so sweet,
Keeping herself looking very neat.
Having a voice distinct, soothing and low,
Hands that are soft, eyes that glow,
Who has a character one can see
Is good as one can possibly be.
Having greatest respect for every creed,
Showing it in action and deed.
Serving all doctors the same patient way,
Doing her duty day by day.
Demanding respect, using tact,
Never thinking of turning back.
Never complaining of those that are ill,
But doing her duty with a will.
Always encouraging when things are worst,
Never discussing the other nurse;
Never succumbs to being made a pet,
Working always for what she gets.
Learning new steps in practical way—
This is my ideal nurse of today."

M. K. B. '24

Cal. Lutheran Hospital Summary, 1923.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Miss Gillette left for her holidays in May.

Miss Dear and Miss Hatton took charge of Miss Gillette's office for May and June.

Miss Maud Fauquir, was Night Supervisor of the Club for April and May. Mrs. Chant (Miss Boehm, 1914) for the month of June.

Miss Lavina Wood, Registrar, left for her holidays, May 1st to be gone six months. Miss Muirheid, is acting Registrar for the summer months. Miss Hatton taking the Registry for the month of July.

The next Alumnae meeting will be held October 11th. "COME EARLY, STAY LATE, OR COME LATE, LEAVE EARLY. BUT COME."

Take a friendly interest in the problems of the Alumnae Association.

BE KIND

Abraham Lincoln, when at the height of power, said to a friend one day: "After all, the one meaning of life is simply to be kind. I have tried to be: I have not done much, but this much I have done, whenever I have found a thistle growing, I have tried to pluck it up and in its place I have planted a flower."

THINGS WORTH WHILE

Not what you get, but what you give.
Not what you say, but how you live.
Giving the world the love it needs.
Living the life of noble deeds;
Not whence you come, but whither bound.
Not what you have, but whether found.
Strong for the right, the good, the true.
These are The Things Worth While to you.

—Anon.

CHARACTER

The world could not exist without the sunbeams yet you can not catch them.

Life would not be life without the heart-throbs, yet you can not control them.

The soul is God's image within you, yet you can not fathom it.

So character, though beyond our kin, is the most positive force in your life. And it manifests itself in what you inspire in others. Kindliness, faith and nobility of purpose.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The engagement of Miss Bettina Grayson, 1919, to Mr. C. Kenneth McClelland is announced.

MARRIAGES

Miss Winifred Hawkins M. Class 1919, to Rev. Albert Dawson Crawford McIlroy, Toronto, Can., June 1st, 1923.

Miss Ruth Lillian O'Brian, to Dr. Roswell Laurence Schmidt, May 22nd, 1923. New York City.

Hilda O. Rutherford (1920) married to Edward Blake MacGillivray, Wednesday, June 20th, 1923, at Toronto, Canada.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Copeland Philloon (Mary Grayson (1910). At Pekin, China. A son, March 19th, 1923.

To Dr and Mrs. G. H. Southwick (Jessie Webb, 1910). A son, April 16th, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. Russell Morton (Mary Halsted, 1921) New Rochelle, N. Y., a girl, June 19, 1923.

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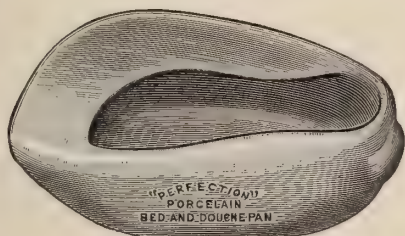
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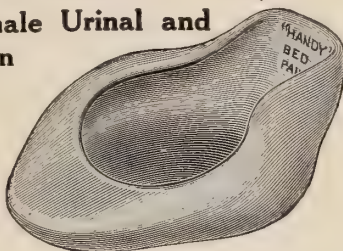
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The next meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held on OCTOBER 11th. We shall all be very glad to see a great many present, after the long holiday season.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Jordan has returned from her vacation, having spent the month of August at Ocean Point, Maine.

Miss Davies spent her vacation at Rapid Lake, N. Y., Philadelphia, and Lyndbrook, L. I.

Miss Moffatt is spending the month of September at Stonington, Conn.

Miss Cox spent the month of July at Fall River with her classmate, Mrs. Hadfield (Miss Diana Fowler).

Miss Walton has gone to her home in Toronto for the month of September, and during her absence Miss Gladys Fraser, 1923, is taking charge of the Dispensary.

Miss Josephi is spending her vacation at her home in Portland, Oregon.

Miss Ibbotson spent the month of July at Pleasant View Beach, R. I.

Miss Playter spent the month of July with her sister at Pembroke, Ont., Can.

Miss Massett spent the month of August in the Pocono Mountains, Pa.

Miss Landes, 1923, has taken charge of Ward L.

Miss Bessie Jones took charge of the Private Operating Room during the month of August.

Miss Mabel O'Brien is now in charge of the 5th and 6th floors.

Miss Lund and Miss Edith Jones sailed about the first of September for Denmark and they are spending the month abroad.

Miss Butcher spent six weeks at her home, St. Mary's, Ont., Can.

Miss Webster spent the month of August at Squirrel Island, Maine.

Miss Robinson is spending six weeks at her home in Peterboro, Ont., Can.

Miss Bartlett has gone to Bay Shore for the month of September and Miss K. Schuler is taking charge of Wards H and G until her return.

Miss Beatrice Don't spent two weeks of August camping in the White Mountains.

CLUB HAPPENINGS

The Club takes this opportunity to thank all who have so kindly brought or sent flowers to the Club.

Miss Gillette left for her vacation in May and owing to illness did not return until July.

Miss Wood took her holiday on May 1st to October 1st, Miss Muirheid relieving her—taking her vacation the month of July—Miss Hatton relieving Miss Muirheid. Miss Dear took the month of August.

Miss Muriel Acton relieved on night duty for July and August.

Miss Barnfield relieved on day duty, July, August and September.

The Japanese Relief Fund has so far sent in \$60.00.

PERSONALS

Our Nurses that have had camp positions this years have been:

Miss Annie Earle in charge of Camp Songo, Maine.

Miss Fredreica Muller in charge of Camp Mystic, Mystic, Conn.

Miss Christine Harvey, Camp Inkawa, Greenwood Lake, N. Y.

Miss Jessie King in charge of Awsting, Mountaunk, N. Y.

Miss Zula Stupplebean returned from a delightful trip abroad in June.

Miss Nellie McCrae' spent the summer at her cottage in Ocean Point, Maine, her two sisters being with her.

Dr. Evert Van Slyke (Miss E. Johnson, Class, 1883) is writing a book entitled "Around the World with a Medicine Case."

Miss Cromwell, Miss Nicodemus, Miss Elizabeth Hay, Miss Frances Bell, Miss Pencheon, Miss Nellie G. Wilson, Miss Shedden, Miss James spent a delightful vacation at Crystal Lake, Middleburg, N. Y.

Miss Phymister returned from a very enjoyable trip abroad in August.

Miss Maretia Wilsey, Miss Mathilde Jouffret, Mrs. Sands, Miss Florence Nash took an extended tour to Quebec, Thousand Islands, together.

Miss Lavinia Wood and Miss Verna Smith spent their holidays at Beach Bluff, Mass.

Miss Golding, who was ill in July, spent her vacation with Miss Wright in Rome, N. Y.

Miss Lucy Grafton, Miss Dinehart, Miss Tybjerg and Miss Ann Fraser have taken rooms at the Club.

Miss Kribbs writes from Mexico City: The new English Hospital is beautiful, all on one floor. The Nurses Home on the second floor will very soon have every convenience. There are seven acres around the hospital, tennis court, fountains, flower beds, most beautiful scenery. I wish you would all take your vacations here. The weather is delightful, every day the sun shines, still it is never hot.

Miss Verna Smith contemplates going South to take up duty in this same hospital very soon.

Miss Francis Gowan spent a part of her vacation with her classmate, Mrs. Dr. Currie in Miliken, N. Y., and the rest in Manchester, Mass.

Miss Elizabeth Hay has gone to Copenhagen, Denmark, for a time, sailing on the same steamer as Misses Lund and Jones.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Mabel McLay in the loss of her father and mother.

Miss Irene Sutcliffe spent her summer at Mountainville. Miss Ellen Denike spent a short time with her during the summer.

The Nurses who have been ill at the Hospital since our last issue are Miss Winants, Miss Florence Murphy and Miss Agnes Houston.

Miss Olive Secord has resigned from her position at the New York Hospital and has taken a room at the Club.

Miss Leona Johnson is taking her place at the Hospital.

Miss Galbraith has taken a position in Health Work in Brampton, Can.

Will all the Nurses be very careful of the change of their address and of their permanent addresses, helping themselves, aiding Albany and helping to keep our own year book in good condition? Aiding Albany Registration and our Club Registration very materially.

Grace C. Peterson, 1913, and Dorothy P. Felt, 1918, spent their vacation in California, spending several days at Grand Canyon and Yosemite National Parks. Miss Peterson joined Miss Garrett at their cottage in New Hampshire and both returned to duty Sept. 1st.

Miss Peterson expects to do private nursing at Clifton Springs Sanitarium this winter.

LIFE

"Good things many, bad things few
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The tears that come from day to day
Cool crisp winds, balmy air
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Wealth if we earn it, health if we try
Courage to live, courage to die.
Faith, to keep us from going wrong
Hope, that sings an eternal song
Charity, toward our fellow man
Power, to help them up again
Hours of pleasure, homes of rest
Love, of life's rare gifts, the best
Smiles and hand clasps that inspire
New purpose within, Divine desire
Opportunities every day, every
Step along life's way
Oh, life is full and life is free,
God's own gift to you and me."

LEGION HONORS THE EX-SERVICE NURSE

At the Annual Convention of the New York State American Legion held at Saratoga Springs in September, Miss Anna B. Duncan was elected a delegate at large to represent the New York State Department at the National Convention, which is to be held in San Francisco, California.

MARRIAGES

Miss Bettina Grayson (1919). To Mr. C. Kenneth McClelland, July 25th, 1923. Frederick, Maryland. Residence, Soerabaya, Java. D. E. S.

Miss Lillian McBeth, (1915). To Rev. John B. Reilly, Cleveland, Tenn., June 12th, 1923. Residence, c/o Rainbow Camp, Coaldale, Col.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. Bouton (Marjorie Clark (1920), Oct. 2nd, 1923. A boy.

To Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Murray (Miss Mary Hamilton, Class 1916). A daughter, Sept. 13th, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Frazer (Miss Gertrude Wright, Class 1918). A daughter, Sept. 3rd, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Warren Connell (Natalie Hall, Class 1921). A son, born at Manhattan Maternity Hospital, Sept. 14th, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. Erik Ackorn (Rebecca Sullivan) Class 1917. Born American Hospital, Neuilly sen Seine, Paris, France. A daughter, August 25th, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Killip (Mabel McMann, Class 1918). July 2nd, 1923. A daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. William E. Dobbins, Laurel, Maryland, (Blanche Smith). A boy.

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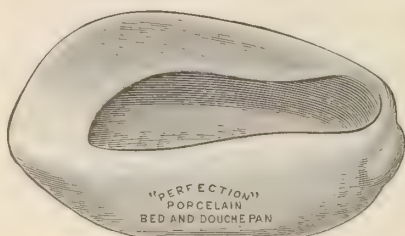
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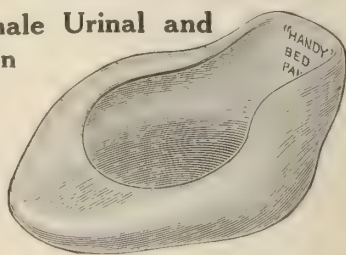
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(House Committee to be chosen monthly at each meeting)

The Alumnae News wishes each and every one a very bright and happy Christmas, and the brightest New Year that has ever come to us.

Our Club will be "at home" to all its members and friends on Thursday, December 27th, from four to six o'clock.

All are sure of a happy welcome.

MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held January 10th. We hope for a large attendance as it is the yearly meeting, election of officers for the coming year, yearly Alumnae dues will be due, dues for the Fund of Sick Nurses are due also. Let us start the New Year putting the coppers in early so that we may be able to cope with any emergency that arrives, quickly.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 12th, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, October 12th at 8 p. m.

The Secretary's report for the June, July and September meetings was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report and that of the Club House for June, July and September was read and accepted.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee presented the following names for membership:

Miss Anna MacDougall
Miss Gladys M. Fraser
Miss Ruth Evangeline Landes
Miss Jane Livermore
Miss Enid Noble
Miss Lorna R. Vanderworker
Miss Catherine Schuler

It was moved, seconded and carried that these nurses be accepted into membership upon payment of their dues.

The following nurses applied for reinstatement as members of the Association:

Miss Isabel Kellock
Miss G. A. Adams

The motion for reinstatement was carried.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee announced that fifty dollars (\$50.00) had been voted to the Nurses' Relief Fund.

The Chairman of the Program Committee announced that Dr. Mark H. Ward would be the speaker of the evening and that Dr. Thomas Darlington, a former health commissioner of New York City, would speak at the November meeting.

Miss Jouffret, Chairman of the Red Cross Committee, announced that eighty-eight dollars (\$88.00), had been collected for the Japanese Relief Fund. Miss Jouffret also gave a full account of changes in the work and administration of the Red Cross.

Miss Duncan's letter was read stating that she could not be present at the meeting for the discussion of the By-Laws. It was moved and carried that this matter be left for the November meeting because: First, the Chairman would be present and second, it was desired that the first meeting be less of a business meeting and given over to sociability.

All were urged to study the proposed changes and be ready for discussion.

New Business

Miss Woodruff's letter of resignation was read and accepted with regret.

A letter was read from Miss Goodrich thanking the Alumnae for their congratulations.

It was announced that the Convention of the State Association was to be held at Buffalo on October 23rd, 24th and 25th, and it was moved and carried that Miss Marie A. Kraemer be

sent as our official delegate. The nomination was accepted by Miss Kraemer.

It was moved and carried that all N. Y. H. Alumnae present at the Convention and those residing in Buffalo be instructed to act as delegates to the Convention.

A letter was read from the International Serbian Education Committee asking for aid. This was left to individual contribution as the Association felt that owing to its contribution to the Nurses' Relief Fund it could not give aid to this very worthy cause.

There being no further business Dr. Ward began his exceedingly interesting talk on his work in Turkey after which the meeting adjourned and we were all interested in meeting Dr. Ward and Mrs. Ward whom many of us knew as Miss Rathbun when she had charge of Ward M.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL B. GOEDE,

Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 8th, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, November 8th, 1923.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted as corrected.

The monthly reports of the Treasurer and the Club House were read and accepted.

The report of the Board of Directors was read and accepted and the announcement was made that on account of ill health, Miss Gillette had resigned as superintendent of the Club House which was keenly regretted by the Association.

Miss Moore, Chairman of the Finance Committee, announced that Miss Sarah J. Graham of the State Association had written stating that over \$4,500 had been collected for the Nurses' Relief Fund for the State of New York and that nearly \$2,000 of this amount had come from District No. 13.

Miss Wilsey, Chairman of the Program Committee, announced that Dr. Darlington, former Health Commissioner of New York, would be the speaker of the evening and for December she had arranged to entertain us with moving pictures and that possibly we would have a musical program for the January meeting.

The Chairman of the Red Cross Committee announced that the final amount of ninety-two (\$92.00) had been collected for the Japanese Relief Fund. She also urged upon each one of us the renewal of membership in the Red Cross.

Miss Marie A. Kraemer, our official delegate to the State Convention at Buffalo, brought to us a very interesting and concise report of the meetings.

Letters from Mrs. Wm. Parsons and Mrs. Frank Yeomans were read tendering their resignations from the Association which were accepted with regret.

It was announced that nominations for officers to the New York Counties Registered Nurses' Association No. 13 must be in by January 1st, 1924, and a motion was made to leave this matter in the hands of the Board of Directors. Motion carried.

At the suggestion of the President the meeting was temporarily suspended to be resumed later in the evening, for the purpose of hearing Dr. Darlington. Dr. Darlington was most interesting and gave us many helpful and sane ideas to keep in mind in carrying on our work as nurses. One was impressed most by his wholesomeness and enthusiasm and greatly by his spirit of youthfulness after his many years of service.

The meeting was then called to order and the business was resumed first: To elect a nominating committee and second: For final discussion of the By-Laws:

The Nominating Committee as finally voted upon consists of:

Miss Minnie H. Jordan, Chairman

Miss A. O. C. McDougall

Miss R. Lee Cromwell

Miss Anna B. Duncan

Mrs. David Alexander

The amendments to the By-Laws of the Association were then presented by Miss Duncan for discussion and final action.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL B. GOEDE,

Recording Secretary.

PERSONALS

Miss Cora Long sailed on the S.S. Franconia on November 15th taking the trip around the world and returning in March.

Miss Marian Ferguson is going abroad with a patient who is taking the Mediterranean trip.

Miss Nina G. Sinnott is at Isle of Hope, Georgia, with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parsons.

Miss Sidney Proctor has returned to the Club for the winter.

Miss Emma Rose is visiting in New York.

Mrs. Croom (Agnes Harper, 1910) is visiting friends in town.

Miss Muriel Acton and Miss Bethel Bane have gone to California for the winter to nurse.

Miss Ella Rogers has also gone to California for the winter.

Miss Price and Miss Rose Green are going to St. Augustine, Florida, for the winter to nurse.

Lieutenant Mary Beecroft is living at the Club and has taken up private duty again.

Miss Gildersleeve is in charge of the Fifth Floor at Beekman Street Hospital.

Miss Marie K. Falconer has been ill at the American Hospital, Mexico City, for some weeks, having been thrown from her horse, fracturing her patella.

Miss Verna Smith is enjoying her work at the Lady Cowdray Hospital, Mexico City, D. F.

Miss Dorothy Cross is taking the trip around the world on the S.S. Franconia.

Announcement: Miss Helen L. Neikirk will be married to Dr. George W. Watermann of Providence, R. I., on December 29th at West Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Miss Florence Mack and Miss Mary Gregory have taken an apartment together.

The Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital sent the American Red Cross \$34.00 as their quota during the drive.

Sympathy is extended to Miss A. Stewart in the loss of her mother, Miss Mary Holland in the loss of her father, to Miss Lelia Finney in the loss of her mother, and Miss Lillian Wald in the loss of her mother, to Miss Ada Pencheon in the loss of her mother.

Miss Lillian Wald received the Rotary Club "Service Medal". The presentation was at the monthly meeting, December 4th, at the Hotel McAlpin, by Raymond J. Knoepfel, District Governor of the New York State Rotary Clubs, who suggested the idea several months ago. These medals are conferred by the Rotary Club to those in New York who have given unselfishly of themselves in outstanding service to humanity. In selecting Miss Wald two committees acted upon thirteen names sub-

mitted by the Distinguished Service Medal Committee. All thirteen names were those of women—though men are eligible. The names of the others considered for the gold medal were not made public. "Miss Wald was chosen by reason of the outstanding character of her life's sacrifice, in which she not only accomplished great service to the public in providing nursing service, especially to the poor, but through establishment of nurses' homes and improving conditions of the nurses themselves."

Miss Barnfield sails for Bermuda on December 21st.

Miss Ethel James on December 19th.

Miss Nellie Gillette, who has been Superintendent of the New York Hospital Graduate Nurses' Club for the past five years, resigned her position as Superintendent on November 1st on account of ill health although still living at the Club. Miss Gillette will be missed by one and all.

Miss Dear, one of her assistants, is Acting Superintendent until a new Superintendent is chosen.

Miss Annedia Colver left the Club November 5th to take up work at the Pekin Union Medical College, Pekin, China.

Miss Minnie Taylor has resigned her position at the Polyclinic Hospital to take up private duty.

REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING—BUFFALO, N. Y.

By M. A. Kraemer

Madam President and members of the Alumnae Association: I herewith submit my report of the Annual Meeting of the New York State Organization of Nurses held in Buffalo, October 24th and 25th, which I had the pleasure of attending as your delegate.

Meeting was called to order on Wednesday at 9:30 a. m. Minutes of last meeting with changes were read.

Report of Treasurer showed finances in good condition with balance \$6,625.67 on hand.

Address by Mrs. Anne L. Hansen, State President, was a very concise and thorough resume of the work done by the State Association.

There was no legislation this year, consequently no report on same.

It was stated that comparatively few nurses are joining the Red Cross, those who do not belong are earnestly requested to enroll.

Since the Relief Fund of the National American Nurses' Association began in 1911, \$97,797.45 has been received. Amount given out in benefits to sick nurses since 1914 is \$20,007.00. Eight nurses in New York State have been receiving benefit. A total of 107 nurses have received aid. New York State contributed \$4,468.72 during the year.

During the Wednesday afternoon session there were general pledges and a collection for the Relief Fund. Pledges from Hospital Alumnae and Student Bodies amounted to \$1,550.00 and \$269.75 was collected from the floor.

Secretary of Nurse Examiners report showed an increase of student nurses from 1,600 in 1920 to 1,933 in 1923. Standard of student nurses much higher, 97 trained attendants. 1,101 applications for Regent examinations, there were from 5 per cent to 15 per cent of failures. 856 failures in various subjects. Anatomy, Medical Nursing, Nursing of Children, showed greatest increase of failures.

Miss Maxwell reported that the Registry Survey had not been completed.

Miss Jean Gunn's address on Progress of Nursing Education in Canada showed a parallel to that of the nursing progress in the United States. The greatest change has been made in the last 10 years.

Miss Earl spoke on Mental Testing, she and her co-workers have tested 1,200 students in 28 hospitals. Through these tests the low grade student has been eliminated.

The Thursday morning session was given over to the discussion of the Nursing Profession in relation to the community. The private duty nurse and what she should give to her patient. Hourly nursing and the extension of Visiting Nurse service and Social Service work.

One hour of the afternoon session was devoted to the discussion of the proposed Federation of the three nursing associations i.e., National Order Public Health Nurse, National League of Nursing Education and American Nurses' Association.

A tentative increase of Alumnae dues from \$3.00 to \$9.00 for every member be charged against the \$15.00 that some members are now paying to the three associations. Using \$1,000 per year as an earning capacity basis this proposed fee would be 1 per cent of yearly salary. Motion was moved and seconded for reorganization, a request to go to the Program Committee for a place for discussion at the National Convention to be held in Detroit during June, 1924.

The returns on the election were 794 votes cast, 40 votes destroyed which were improperly cast.

Ticket elected was as follows:

President—Mrs. A. L. Hansen, Buffalo.

First Vice-President—Miss Eunice Smith, Rochester.

Second Vice-President—Miss M. Kuhlman, Albany.

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Directors—Miss E. Burgess and Miss E. E. Golding, New York City.

Nurse Examiners—Miss H. Baily, Bellevue Hospital; Miss M. Robinson, Long Island Hospital.

Wednesday noon we had a charming “get together” luncheon in the main dining room of the Hotel Statler at which nine of our graduates were present, Miss Jordan Miss Anderson, Miss Golding, Miss Richmond, Miss Mewhort, Miss Finch, Miss Dunn, Mrs. Lewis, nee Miss Florence Golding and myself, your delegate.

Wednesday evening a banquet and entertainment was given at which there were 960 guests present.

On Thursday afternoon a drive around Buffalo and a tea at the Twentieth Century Club were given by the women of the Boards of Directors of different hospitals in Buffalo and the “fairy godmother” of the nurses of Buffalo—Mrs. Hamlen.

I, as the delegate, wish to thank the members of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association for the privilege of attending the convention from which I received great benefit and enjoyment.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Miss Hazel Emmett, after three years of faithful and efficient service, has left Ward E. Miss Mabel O'Brien has accepted the position in the Reception Ward, but owing to illness was not able to come on November 15th. Miss Jane Livermore, we are glad to say, took charge in the interim.

Miss Lorna Vanderwerker, 1923, has accepted the night position as suture nurse in the operating room.

The class of 1925 gave the annual dance to the Graduating Class on Monday, December 3rd. The reception room was artistically and originally decorated with colored balloons, and everyone had a most enjoyable evening.

Under the auspices of the Auxiliary to the Social Service Department of the Hospital the Board of Governors, Medical Board, Attending Staff and specially invited guests were given an opportunity to seeing "The Watchful Eye," a moving picture showing the wonderful work of the Social Service Department of the New York Hospital. The following week the picture was shown to the student body.

Many will be interested in the announcement of the engagement of Miss Catherine Sherrill, Class of 1921, to Mr. Herbert Hand, Jr. of Riverside, Conn. A number of her classmates gave her a kitchen shower at the home of Mrs. N. W. Cornell, nee Nathalie Hall, Class of 1921, and there was much merriment over this enjoyable occasion.

LETTER FROM MISS GLADYS ADAMS

"... I went to England for a week and had a most interesting trip. Am enclosing a brief resume of it.

"Tuesday last I went to Brussels to see two students from the Edith Cavell Hospital who are going to Radcliff Infirmary, Oxford. The little hospital is exquisitely kept, beautifully clean and the nurses look very intelligent. They have medical, surgical and private patients in the hospital, but take their maternity, Tbc, children's and special diseases outside.

"Mlle. de Meyers is a most intelligent woman and is making extraordinary efforts to raise their standards. Their course is

4 years, but as they enter at 18 or 19 and are paid a salary in their fourth year she feels it excusable. She tells me she has no illness among her probationers and attributes it to the fact that their first three months is in demonstration room and classes. She also during that time sends them on observation tours to see a large hospital, children's clinics, etc. She has promised to send me her program. It is remarkable to find a woman like that, more or less cut off from other contacts, seeing nursing with such a broad viewpoint, her idea being that the nurses see their patients in relation to their environment.

"Saturday next I'm off to England again, taking these five over for a year at the London Hospital. They are graduates of French schools, but get there the full preliminary course—the services, medical, surgical, children, maternity, O. P. D.—and then spend a certain time in the laundry, stores, linen room, kitchens and matron's office. They really get an administrative course to enable them to return and teach. The four who came back were most enthusiastic and have gained so much.

"I'm busy studying German—five lessons a week—when I'm in Paris. My teacher is a German woman who married a Frenchman. He was in prison during the war and was so badly mutilated by the Germans that he was returned a paralyzed wreck and just died the 31st of October as a result of his wounds."

COPIED FROM A MAINE PAPER

Alexandropol, Armenia, August 30.

A former Maine girl, Miss Pauline Jordan, of Welchville, is operating the only school for the blind in Armenia. She organized it a year ago to meet the needs of sightless youngsters in the Near East Relief orphanage center for 20,000 here. Now it boasts of a blind orchestra and a training school for teachers.

Inability to secure textbooks in Braille in Armenia has been the chief difficulty encountered, according to Miss Jordan's first annual report. To supply this deficiency it has been necessary to use a cardboard alphabet and ordinary textbooks perforated with a pin.

"We have begun to train a Russian teacher in Braille system in order that we may begin the teaching of that language," Miss

Jordan says in her report. "Russian is the language of the Caucasus and they must learn it if they are to become self-supporting. In this we are also handicapped by the lack of Braille. We have made 60 books in Armenian and several in Russian. Another difficulty has been the lack of trained instructors. Of the nine on our staff, seven have been taught here.

"The school has made a big change in the children. They used to sit all day on the floor in the orphanages, sometimes crawling out in the sun. Now they walk all over the campus to the different classes getting together in groups, or gathering to practice with the orchestra or to listen to it. They are really happy for the first time in their lives."

MARRIAGES

Miss Mary L. Simpson to Mr. John Birnie, Thursday, November 15th, 1923.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. Gordon Stevens (Effie MacFarland, 1915) a daughter, May 11th, 1923.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Farrand (Laura Eichbaum, Class 1911) a son, Philip Stevens, at Munith, Michigan.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fay Brown Bett (Laura Brightman, Class 1920) a girl, born October 29th, at Birmingham, Alabama.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thomson (Alice Brodie, Class 1912) a daughter, born at Siparia, Trinidad, B. W. I., October 16th, 1923.

The Veteran's Mountain Camp is a wonderful spot on the western shore of Big Tupper Lake. It was opened in July by the New York Department of the American Legion for veterans of any war who cannot trace their illness to service. The

Infirmiry is a very nice building which can accommodate thirty-six patients, the nurses' quarters are in one wing of the same building on the second floor and are very comofrtable. At present there is only one other nurse and we have very pleasant times. All our patients are up and around and sleep out in lean-to's. There is no life aside from our duties for we are too far away but we have a library and in good weather canoeing helps a lot. I haven't been sorry, for a minute, that I accepted this position.

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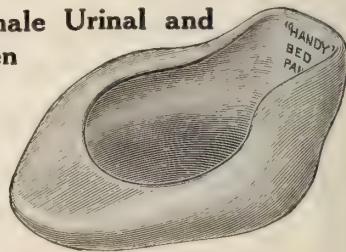
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N. B.—Mark your ballot with an **X** at the left of the name you wish to vote for or substitute the name of any other person. DO NOT sign your ballot. If vote is to be cast by mail send same to the Secretary, Miss Ethel B. Gocde, R. N., 317 West 45th Street, New York City, with a signed letter of identification.

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NOTICES

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE CLUB EXTENDS A MOST CORDIAL WELCOME TO THE 1924 GRADUATE NURSES, AND SHE HOPES TO HEAR OR HAVE A VISIT FROM ANYONE WHO IS ANTICIPATING LIVING AT THE CLUB.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE A MONTH IN ADVANCE IN ORDER TO BE CERTAIN OF ACCOMMODATIONS. PRESENT RECEIPT FOR ALUMNAE DUES.

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT CLUB AND REGISTRATION DUES (\$10.00) MUST BE PAID BEFORE THEY CAN REGISTER.

BERNETTA MILLER, Supt.

All members of the Club who fail to pay their Club and Registration Dues within three months after May 1st will have their names posted at the Club House.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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MEETINGS

The next meeting of the New York Counties' Registered Nurses' Association will be held on Tuesday, June 3rd, 1924, at 8:00 p. m.

The New York State Nurses will hold their Convention in Syracuse, N. Y., October 28th, 29th and 30th proximo, 1924.

The Bi-Annual Meeting of the Three National Nursing Organizations will be held in Detroit, Mich., June 16th to 21st. An interesting program is promised.

Our Delegates are: Miss Hitchcock, Miss Jordan, Miss Anderson and Miss Elizabeth Golding.

The next Alumnae Meeting will be held at the Club House, April 10th, 1924.

Meetings of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training School, are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street, at 8:00 p. m.

Meetings of the Board of Directors are held on the first Thursday of each month at the Club, 317 West 45th Street.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 14th, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, December 14th, 1923.

The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and accepted.

The report of the Board of Directors was accepted as read.

The following names were presented by the Credential Committee for admission in the Association:

Miss Vera M. Beach

Miss Etta Crane

Miss Christine Mack

Miss Myrtle Van Williams

Miss Juanita Wade

It was moved, seconded and carried that these nurses be received as members of the Association upon payment of their dues.

Miss Wilsey, Chairman of the Program Committee reported that there would be no speaker at the January meeting, and that for this evening we would have the pleasure of hearing Mr. Frederick Rosicky, violinist, play.

The report from the Red Cross Committee was that \$34.00 had been turned into the American Red Cross for Roll Call in the name of the Alumnae Association.

Miss Duncan, Chairman of the Legislative Committee read a letter from Miss Minnigerode, Chairman, Committee on Federal Legislation of the American Nurses' Association, to Mrs. Hansen, President of the New York State Nurses' Association

"My Dear Mrs. Hansen:

"In closing days of the last Congress, a bill for classifying all Government employees, known as the Reclassification Bill, was passed and became a law. In order to make effective the provisions of this Bill a Board was established for the purpose of allocating the employees in the Government Service to their proper grades. This Board is composed of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget or his alternate, the Director of the Bureau of Efficiency or his alternate, and a Civil Service Commissioner or his alternate. The allocations have now been made and in these allocations nurses are placed either in a sub-professional or a non-professional grade.

"The Committee on Federal Legislation of the American Nurses' Association has had a hearing before this Board and has yet been unable to obtain any change in the rating. The American Nurses' Association fears that such a classification will not only be detrimental to nurses in Government Service but throughout the country and that it will also result in decreasing still further the number of applications for nurse training particularly among the better class of young women and will seriously affect the Civilian Schools of Nursing, especially the University Schools.

"This Personal Reclassification Board must report its findings to Congress for approval and unless the nurses of this country are willing to be classified by the U. S. Government as outside of the professional service, sufficient pressure must be brought to bear upon Congress to change this classification to the professional service.

"You are requested to bring this matter before your Board of Directors and the Local League of Nursing Education and to see that an appeal is made to the Senator and Congressman of your District in behalf of nurses.

"Respectfully,
(Signed) LUCY MINNIGERODE."

Miss Duncan reported that the Committee had decided on a general letter to be sent to all Congressmen in Greater New York and individual letters to the following men:

Senator James J. Wadsworth, Jr.
Senator Royal S. Copeland
Hon. Theo. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of Navy
Hon. Edwin Denby, Secretary of Navy.
John Wingate Weeks, Secretary of War.
Mr. Cornelius Wickersham.
Mr. Rodman Wanamaker.
Dr. Orin S. Wightman, President, New York State Medical Society.
Dr. George D. Stewart, President, Academy of Medicine.
Hon. Judge Charles D. Donahue.
State Senators Ellwod and Rabinowitz.

The following Congressmen received special delivery letters: Congressman Boylan, Prall, Dickstein, Sullivan, Pearlman, O'Connor, Mills, Carew, Bloom, La Guardia, Weller, Griffin, Oliver and Fairchild.

Miss Duncan said that in connection with these letters the committee was deeply grateful for the kindly co-operation of Mr. Frank D. Wilsey, who is always interested in the welfare of the nurses and nursing matters. Mr. Wilsey sent letters to men of prominence at Washington with a personal request that they aid in seeing that the nurses received the recognition they deserved and desired.

Miss Duncan also spoke of the splendid work done by the members of her Committee.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that the Secretary write a letter to Mr. Frank Wilsey expressing the gratitude of the members of the Association for his interest and work in this matter.

The Treasurer and Miss Barrett, Treasurer of the Fund for Sick Nurses, reminded the members of the Association that dues were payable in January.

The Nominating Committee presented the following ticket for 1924:

President—Miss Jane Hitchcock, Miss Marietta Wilsey.

Vice-President—Miss Mary Smith, Miss Emma S. Hart.

Recording Secretary—Miss Frances Bell, Miss Edith Cox.

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ANNA DUNCAN

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M. H. JORDAN, *Chairman*

Nominating Committee.

A motion was made and carried that this report be accepted.

Miss Wood moved that a letter of sympathy be sent to Miss A. A. Pencheon who has recently lost her mother. Seconded and carried.

Miss Sutcliffe moved that a similar letter be sent to Miss Lillian Wald, whose mother had died. Seconded and carried.

The following was read by our President to the Association: "I hope you will not consider it out of place if I take this opportunity of saying how much I have appreciated working this past two years with our former Superintendent, Miss Gillette, of my pleasure in the hearty co-operation of the officers of the Club House Staff, and the Board of Directors, and of my enjoyment in serving the entire Association as its President, a service that has been most gladly rendered, and in which I have felt such a cordial response from the Alumnae members."

Miss Duncan moved that we as an Association as well as individuals approve of the action taken by the Board of Directors in the appointment of Miss Miller as superintendent of the Club and pledge our support in this appointment. Seconded and carried.

Miss Sutcliffe reported for her Committee, that she had selected a gift for each of the chronic invalids who were members of the Alumnae. This report was accepted as given.

The meeting then adjourned and we had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Rosicky.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY F. HOLLAND,

Secretary pro tempore.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF JANUARY 10th, 1924

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, January 10th, 1924, at 8:00 p. m.

The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and accepted.

The report of the Board of Directors was accepted as read.

The annual report of the Club House was accepted as read.

The annual report of the Treasurer was accepted as read. The Treasurer announced that over 100 members were in arrears for dues.

A motion was made and carried that these members be allowed another month and a second notification given them to remit back dues.

The annual report of the Sick Fund for Nurses was read by Miss Laura G. Barrett and accepted with many thanks to Miss Barrett for her work.

Miss Golding read the annual report of the Emergency Fund as follows: "Two loans were made during the year, one for \$100.00 and the other for \$30.00, which left a balance of \$191.61 remaining in the Fund. Report accepted as given.

Miss Benz read the Legislative report of Miss Duncan who was unable to be present, as follows:

"In regard to the Reclassification Bill:

"The Legislative Committee has not held any formal meetings. However, the individual members, Mrs. M. S. Rogers, Miss Emma Benz, and your Chairman, Miss Anna B. Duncan, have been active in so far as was possible.

"Miss Benz interviewed a representative of the 'Outlook,' who requested further data, in order to be in a position to discuss the question in this periodical.

"In this connection, your Chairman wrote Miss Minnegerode, Chairman of the National Committee of the A. N. A. (A copy being sent to Major Julia Stimson) asking for further information. The attached replies from both have been received and Miss Benz requested to take Miss Minnegerode's letter to the 'Outlook,' and thus aim to secure the most valuable co-operation of that periodical.

"Miss Jordan reports faithful and valuable work with the Governors of the hospital as well as the doctors in attendance.

"Most favorable replies have been received from both Senators Wadsworth and Copeland and all the Representatives to whom a request was sent urging their support in getting the nurses classified as 'professional' under the Reclassification Bill.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) "ANNA B. DUNCAN,
Chairman of Legislative Committee."

The annual report of the Pension Fund of which Mrs. Aycrigg is chairman, was read and accepted.

The President announced that the legacy, which had been left to the Sick Nurses' Fund by Mr. John P. Faure had not been turned over as the will was still being contested.

The annual report of the Red Cross Committee was read and accepted. It was announced in this connection that Miss Florence Johnson had been appointed as Director of the New York County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Miss Marion S. Doane is in charge of the School of Nursing in Haiti. Individual contributions from our Association to the American Red Cross amounted to \$126.00.

The ballots of election of officers were now called in and Miss Anderson appointed the following tellers: Miss Jouffret, Miss Clara Green, Miss Eva Bryan and Miss Bertha Luce.

The following officers were elected:

President—Miss Jane E. Hitchcock.

Vice-President—Miss Mary Agnes Smith

Recording Secretary—Miss Frances L. Bell.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Ethel Fenemore.

Treasurer—Miss Sarah E. Moore.

Directors—Miss Elizabeth Burroughs, Miss Lillian Muirheid, Miss Anna L. Reutinger.

Miss Muirheid with a sincere vote of thanks on behalf of the Association, presented Miss Anderson, retiring President, with a bouquet of roses.

Miss Anderson then welcomed Miss Hitchcock as the new President of the Association and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL FENEMORE,

Secretary, pro tempore.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14th, 1924

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held at the Club on Thursday, February 14th, 1924.

The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

The monthly reports of the Club House and Treasurer were accepted as read.

The report of the Board of Directors was accepted as read.

Miss Jouffret gave the following report of Red Cross activities. "The Delano Red Cross Nursing Service is extending its operations to include Buchanan County, Virginia. Buchanan County is a tragically isolated area in the Alleghany mountains. Miss E. B. Heard has returned from one year's service in the Red Cross Public Health Service in St. Thomas and St. John, Virgin Islands. Miss P. V. Benson has been appointed to service as Director of Nursing in the Philippines Chapter of the A. R. C."

The matter of members who have been delinquent in the payment of dues, was then taken up. Miss Moore reported that 102 replies had been received from notices sent out, but that there were 21 still to be accounted for. It was moved and seconded that the latter be dropped from the Association. However, after discussion certain of those in arrears were dropped and Miss Moore volunteered to send further notice to the others.

Letters of resignation were received from Mrs. H. F. Perry, Miss Ida Armstrong and Miss Hildred and were accepted with regret.

A letter from Miss Anna A. Walz of New Dorp, S. I., was read, asking for information regarding the endowment of a bed or beds for sick graduates and the Secretary was directed to answer this letter giving the required data.

A letter from Miss Beatrice Bamber was read stating that the nurses of Distrcit No. 13 were not doing their share in purchasing the calendars for 1924 in support of the A. N. A. Miss Jordan undertook to look after this matter and will no doubt succeed in disposing of our share of the calendars.

A letter was read from Miss Sarah J. Graham explaining the purpose of the Sick Nurses' Relief Fund and also stating that the revision of the By-Laws of District No. 13 had been brought before the meeting on February 5th for discussion and suggestions.

A letter from Miss Duncan was read stating that the bill on reclassification is still before the Congress and has not yet been referred back to the Committee on Reclassification. Also that the "Outlook" had declined to discuss the matter editorially. Miss Duncan suggests that the nurses keep on deluging Senators and Congressmen with letters asking for their support in keeping the standards of nursing what they should be.

The following letter from Miss Frederika Farley was also read:

"The officers selected for the New York Counties Registered Nurses' Association for 1924-25, by the Nominatng Committee, to be presented to you for voting at the Annual Meeting in March, 1924, are as follows:

"President—Miss Beatrice Bamber.

"Vice-President—Miss Elizabeth Burgess.

"Recording Secretary—Miss Mary Rust.

"Corresponding Secretary—Miss Annie McDougal, Miss Blanche Blackman. (Vote for one.)

"Treasurer—Miss E. H. Kerr.

"Directors—Miss Elizabeth Bracket, Miss Sarah Graham, Miss Emma Benz, Miss Elizabeth Golding. (Vote for two.)

"Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee

(Signed) "FREDERIKA FARLEY, *Chairman*

"EDITH W. GREGORY,

"MAUD H. METCALF,

"EMILIE G. ROBSON,

"IRENE B. YOKUM."

Miss Muirheid moved that letters of sympathy be sent to Miss Lillian Rowe who has recently lost her father; to Miss Beecroft who has lost a brother; to Mrs. Schuyler Brown and to the Misses Sinnott who have suffered the loss of their mothers—seconded and carried.

As there was no further business before the meeting it was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting adjourn to enjoy the movies provided by the Program Committee and the dainty refreshments provided by Miss Muirheid.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES L. BELL, *Secretary.*

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF DISTRICT NO. 13 was held at the Central Club for Nurses, No. 333 East 45th Street, March 4th, 1924.

The following officers were elected:

Miss Bamber, President.

Miss Elizabeth Burgess, First Vice-President.

Miss Annie Kerr, Treasurer.

Miss Kirst, Recording Secretary.

Miss Annie McDougall, Corresponding Secretary.

Miss Brackett, Miss Elizabeth Golding, Directors.

THE NATIONAL RELIEF FUND FOR NURSES

The goal for the "Relief Fund" for nurses, is set at \$100,000 for the June meeting.

RED CROSS REPORT—MARCH, 1924

At present there are 2,708 enrolled Red Cross Nurses.

Mathilde Simoni, an American Red Cross Public Health Nurse stationed at Camp Gaillard Canal Zone, recently visited National Headquarters upon her return to the States for a vacation.

Miss Simoni was assigned to service in the Canal Zone one year ago upon request of General Ireland. Her work has been one of unusual interest. It includes visiting nursing in connection with the soldiers' families and a population of about 3,000 English speaking people located in a village between the Camps.

Miss Simoni has organized clinics for the natives of the Panama Republic and to these, some of the patients have walked six and seven miles. Her work takes her into three schools, one conducted for native children of the soldiers, one for English speaking children, and one for colored children. She has also directed the nursing in an obstetrical hospital containing 13 beds for adults, and two for children, and has completed one course in Home Hygiene and care of the sick which she has conducted for the young daughters of the Porto Rican soldiers.

Mrs. Charlotte M. Heelinan has returned from Greece. She has given five and a half years of consecutive service in Europe, under the A. R. C. During the War, Red Cross and Field Hospitals in Italy, together with child welfare work in the same country, constituted her field. After the war, public health nursing in Rome for one year followed by an assignment to Serbia brought her up to the year 1920, when she went to Greece—at the time of the withdrawal of the first A. R. C. Commission, and when the newly inaugurated child welfare program was being taken over by the Greek Patriotic League with two A. R. C. nurses in charge.

Mrs. Heelinan continued to direct this latter activity until the arrival of the refugees from Asia Minor, when she was made Director of the Nursing Service for the new A. R. C. Commission. Her new assignment will take her to Santo Domingo Chapter of the A. R. C., when she will direct the nursing activities.

Hundreds of A. R. C. nurses will mourn the passing of Anna M. Charlton who has for many years rendered service of great value, first as a member of the N. Y. State Committee on R. C. Nursing

Service and later as the Secretary of the Manhattan (N. Y.) local Commission of the Nursing Service. In the latter position, which she held from October, 1914, until her death. Her prompt and efficient execution of her exacting task during the World War, was exceptionally noteworthy.

Miss Charlton was a graduate of the N. Y. Post Graduate Hospital School of Nursing and rendered active service during the Spanish American War. She was buried with full Military Honors on January 2nd, 1924 in the Spanish American Nurses' plot at the Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D. C.

GRACIOUS TRIBUTE PAID TO MISS ANNIE GOODRICH

Miss Bessie MacMurchy has very kindly sent the Editor the following extracts from Newspaper Clipping, which will be of great interest to all, telling of the banquet given in honor of Miss Goodrich at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

MISS GOODRICH OF YALE UNIVERSITY GUEST OF HONOR AT PLEASING BANQUET

DECLARES THE NURSE HOLDS THE MASTER KEY

"The Nurse holds the master key to every door," was the tribute paid by the celebrated member of the profession, Miss Anna Goodrich, Dean of the School of Nursing, Yale University, who addressed several hundred nurses on March 6th at the King Edward Hotel at the banquet given in her honor by the Toronto Chapter of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Ontario. Each individual, she stated, had a unique contribution to make to society, and it lay within the province of the nurse by promoting public health to increase human efficiency. For the nurses themselves, she craved the opportunity to re-energize their minds by contact with the master minds and refreshment from leisure among beautiful surroundings so that they could introduce into the joy of their creative activity the most efficient and intelligent service. She expressed the hope that the University of Toronto would establish a separate school of nursing like that at Yale.

Miss Goodrich was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses by the New York nurses, graduates of the New York Hospital, who are now resident in Toronto,—Miss Bessie MacMurchy made the presentation and paid a warm tribute to Miss Goodrich's work. At the head table with the guest of honor, were:—Miss Kathleen Russell, president of the Toronto Chapter; Lady Falconer, Mrs. W. W. Hiltz, Mrs. H. P. Plumptre; Miss Carmichael, president of the National Council of Women; Mrs. J. Wesley Bundy, president of the Local Council of Women; Miss Jean Gunn, Miss Jean Browne, Miss Snively, Miss Dickson, Miss Campbell of the Victorian Order of Nurses. Miss Fairly of Hamilton, Mrs. Struthers, Miss Moore, Miss Patton and other representative members of the profession. Miss Jean Browne moved a vote of thanks to Miss Goodrich, which was seconded by Miss Jean Gunn.

Among the Alumnae Associations represented at the banquet were: Grace Hospital, Hospital for Incurables, Hospital for Sick Children, Orthopedic Hospital, Riverdale Hospital, St. John's Hospital, St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto Free Hospital, Toronto General

Hospital, Wellesley Hospital, Women's College Hospital, the Florence Nightingale Association and the Western Hospital.

In beginning her address, Miss Goodrich wished to emphasize her country's indebtedness, first to England and her Florence Nightingale, and second to Canada, for two of the women who had been most outstanding in the development of the nursing profession in the United States, Mrs. Isabel Hampton Robb and Miss Adelaide Nutting. Miss Goodrich then sketched the advance made in the last fifty years, and rejoiced that the fiftieth anniversary of the first training school in the United States had seen the foundation of the new Yale School, now looked upon as the greatest experiment in nursing education on this continent. Miss Goodrich also paid tribute to the vision of the American women of fifty years ago who had worked to reform hospital conditions of that period, and had sent Dr. Gill Wiley to England to confer with Florence Nightingale. Even at that time a daughter of a Yale President, in a book had advocated such a thing as a college of nursing. Sixteen American universities now had linked up with hospitals in training courses. Minnesota being the leader.

Miss Goodrich in her tribute to Mrs. Robb, stressed her remarkable spiritual and physical alertness. Mrs. Robb, she declared had three essentially womanly qualifications, she was a teacher, a nurse and a mother.

In praising the wonderful work of Miss Nutting, Miss Goodrich concluded with a tribute to still another Canadian, Miss Isabel Stewart, whose work at Teachers' College was wonderfully splendid.

Rarely have Canadian nurses had such a tribute as Miss Goodrich's review of their contribution to American Hospitals and training schools.

Miss Hudson's work as a public health nurse, and "dear" Mrs. Struther's important contribution to New York's school nurse system were mentioned, and Miss Goodrich declared at one time all but one of New York's training schools were headed by Canadian nurses.

It is indeed an inspiration to us all to hear of the honors paid to our fellow-graduate, Miss Goodrich, who is hailed as one of the most notable nurses on the continent.

It is hoped that her great work will be an inspiration to us all.

CHINA

The many friends of Miss Armedia Culver were made glad by the arrival of a letter, which gave a delightful "story" of the entire trip to the Far East, where she has entered the Peking Union Medical College in final preparation for her work in China. The following extracts will be of interest:

"Had a wonderful trip out from Chicago. Beautiful scenery, especially in Montana, Wyoming and Washington. The same train staff and dining car runs right through to Seattle, so you see they get very well acquainted with the passengers in the five days. All the passengers in our car were sailing on this steamer, and we all became quite friendly.

Got down to our ship Saturday morning, and had our luggage unpacked before she sailed. Found all my letters there which pleased me greatly. Our cabins on this ship were quite large and very comfortable. Had a lovely sail out Puget Sound to Victoria, British Columbia, where we docked for three hours. So four of us got off, took an auto and rode over the City. Lovely City it is, roses in bloom, though air cold, but they say there rarely is any frost and no snow. We left there about seven P. M. and by ten were going around Cape Flattery and the passengers began to retire rather hurriedly to their rooms, looking rather pale. *I retired* and four days later, when we were passing the Aleutian Island where the water was quiet, I emerged and spent a couple of hours on deck, but by night had again taken to my bed where I stayed until the morning we reached Yokohoma, eleven days after leaving Seattle.

Had the ship's Doctor twice, and lost seven and half lbs. Couldn't eat a thing but celery. There is nothing to equal sea-sickness. We had terrible weather. Portholes were closed and the iron covers on for four days. The rooms are specially ventilated and we had our doors open so were fairly comfortable. We could hardly stay in our beds 'twas so rough. The old scow would attempt to stand on her head (or bow) then a huge wave would strike her side and kerplunk you would go against the side of the bed, then against the other side. To give you an idea of the feeling, get into a hammock and have someone shake it up and down at each end, then someone else give it a shove from either side and keep it up for eleven days and nights. You will then have some conception of my experience.

Well when we neared Yokohoma, I perked up and crawled on deck. After having some lunch and keeping dinner down I felt better. We anchored and the Japanese Officials came on, lined us all up for quarantine inspection and examination of passports. About a million Japs came on. Looked like the whole army and all had swords buckled on, which were nearly as long as themselves. As there is no dock there now, we had to anchor out in the harbour. Some people who live in Tokio, took us for a motor ride all around the City and vicinity. There is absolutely nothing left. One simply could not imagine the awful destruction. Not a building is left, and hundreds are still buried under the ruins. Out of 450,000 inhabitants, nearly 200,000 were killed. We saw the place where 30,000 alone were burned to death, having sought refuge there. Our boat was only there from 8:00 at night to 3:00 next day, but nobody wanted to stay. It was overwhelmingly pathetic, and one felt as if they were attending a funeral.

We had a little excitement while there, as there occurred the heaviest earthquake shock since the catastrophe. We were going up the ship's ladder at the time. We thought that the ship had gone crazy, as it lurched and swayed so. Those on land got quite a scare as it was quite severe. Rather a queer feeling it gives one. Imagine living there.

We started for Kobe, Japan, and reached there at noon on Saturday, the 24th in a pouring rain. Saw many active small volcanoes on the way and the large one Fujiyama, which is visible for

miles. Kobe somewhat resembles Pittsburgh from a distance, as it is so smoky from the factories. We docked there and stayed until 3:00 o'clock Sunday. We proceeded to go shopping in rickshaws—our first ride. They were very comfortable but one gets a queer sensation at having a man-drawn vehicle, especially when they are trotting around in a cold rain and very thinly clad. Cost us the equivalent of \$1.00 for three hours. We thoroughly enjoyed our shopping tour. I initiated my new umbrella here. Got back to the ship and we then started for the last lap of our sea voyage, as our next stop was Shanghai, which we reached on the 27th. Our trip from Kobe, was perfectly beautiful through the Inland Sea of Japan. In some places one could almost reach out and touch the land. It is really beyond description. We were then in the Yellow Sea and near Korea.

We arrived in Shanghai on time, again in a heavy rain and a man from the Hotel came on the boat to look after transferring the baggage, after it was all passed by the Customs. By the way, one must *Never* use the term "Chinaman" here, always say a Chinese.

As our dollars are worth \$1.87 in their money, I had problems of my own. And after 5:00 o'clock the exchange is \$1.84. I was almost a lunatic when I left. Had no idea regarding tips, which is a problem,—20 cents Mex (Chinese) not quite equal to 10 cents, U. S. is a big tip for serving dinner for two in a room. One is rather slow getting the sense of value, and consequently over-tip.

We left Wednesday night for Peking. A man from Cook & Son met us at the station and looked after our baggage and put us on the train, and we were off for Pukow (pronounced like Pooow). Instead of being like our sleeping cars, they have compartments or rooms with a lower and upper berth on one side—a table on the other and a door in the wall, which when drawn down reveals a metal basin, soap and hot and cold water faucets. To empty basin, just close door. Arrived at Pukow at 7:20 and had a wild scramble to change cars. We crossed on a very modern ferry then took the train for Peking, which is really very comfortable, large compartments, with the same facilities. Our train arrived four hours late in Peking on November 30th. Miss Wolf had been to the station, but was so cold, she returned to the Hospital and left the Chief Cook, who speaks excellent English to meet me. Had again to go through the Customs, as one's baggage has to be examined coming into Peking, and if they think anything has been purchased anywhere else in China, you pay duty. I don't get their idea. Besides, the Shanghai money is not worth as much as the Peking money. By the time I heard that I gave up. But the worst was yet to come. Your dollar is not worth the same amount two days in succession, and before you start out to shop or ride, you find out the rate of exchange. I have hopes of some day being able to know how to figure it. The trouble is one never knows how much he is worth, as one day your \$50.00 is \$52.00, the next something like \$48.00.

Had a warm welcome from Miss Wolf and after having tea went to my room, which I found most comfortable. About twice the size of No. 802, containing a desk, dressing table, bureau, wardrobe, hat-

tree, small bed, rocking chair and arm chair and small table with lamp. Lovely blue Chinese rug and hardwood floor. Very warm. The dining room is very attractive;—very large round tables seating 5 or 6 with doilies. Centerpiece and bowl of white flowers. At dinner we have very attractive candlesticks with white candles and lovely shades. Very good food,—and beautifully served by Chinese boys in long white coats. Everything spotlessly clean.

Everybody has been so nice to me. Saturday morning, I attended a clinic by Dr. Holt of New York, the Baby Specialist. Very interesting. In the P. M. went out shopping with a Miss Reade and Sat. night attended a Chinese Concert. Sunday morning the Ass't. Supt. Miss Beaby, asked me to go to Chapel with her, so I went.

I go on duty Dec. 11th, until Jan. 1st, as there are no new classes at the Language School, until then. Doing nothing now, but loaf. I hope I will like it here and think I will. Am a little nervous about starting to work as conditions are so different, but am keen to get started. I feel so helpless at not knowing the language and can't go out alone on that account. However, by spring I'll be able to at least make myself understood, and if any of you get up the nerve to join me, I can guide you about.

It was a long tiresome trip, but I would not have missed it and in four years I'll forget the seasickness part.

Love to all,

MEDIA CULVER.

Pekin Union Medical College, Peking, China.

NURSING IN ST. AUGUSTINE

"Last winter I spent seven weeks in Florida, a motoring through the central lake region and west coast; Tampa, St. Petersburg and Sarasota; boating, camping and tramping through the "Hammock" or dry swamp along the east coast—an enchanted fairyland!

While I wanted to come back to Florida this winter, I felt that I could not be idle, so persuading Miss Price to join me and try nursing to pay expenses, we left New York by boat—it seems more of a journey if you go by ocean—and came to Jacksonville and St. Augustine December 15th.

We loafed for a few weeks, then called on Dr. Holmes, who has the hotels' practice, and the superintendents of the two hospitals—they are both northern women—and said if at any time they had more work than nurses, we would be glad to help. They were most cordial and explained that later on when the season opened, between January 1st to 15th, they might be glad to call on us, but that we would be expected to register with the Florida State Board of Registration.

Registration consists of filling out several elaborate questionnaires, which if faithfully done, leaves not the ghost of a skeleton in one's closet. These, sworn to before a notary and accompanied by a fee of Ten Dollars and a photograph, must be returned to the Board. This we did, but as the Board does not meet till June, we will have been a long time out of the State before we receive permission to nurse in it. Notwithstanding, in the meantime we are being kept busy.

While waiting for possible patients, we took a trip down the Indian River to Palm Beach and Miami—Indian River with its semi-tropical forests, the picturesque royal and cocoanut palms on one side, and on the other pretty homes surrounded by pineapple and orange groves; and Palm Beach and Miami, very smart and gay, crowded and expensive. We were glad to return to quiet old St. Augustine, where even when one is busy there is an atmosphere of rest and leisure.

We found messages waiting for us from Dr. Holmes and the East Coast Hospital, asking us to take cases at once, and with the exception of a day or two, we have been busy ever since, either in the hospitals, hotels or private homes.

The Flagler Hospital is very beautiful, built of the yellow coquina rock—shells crushed and cemented together by the action of the waves. It is the last word in modern equipment, finish and furnishings, surrounded by palms and orange trees, overlooking the bay and the ocean beyond.

The East Coast Hospital is on the Main Street, owned and maintained by the East Coast Railroad Co. mainly for the employees and their families—a crowded, busy place, as all up and down the line the Railroad people come here for treatment. The work is mostly surgical and a great many obstetrical cases. Dr. Fogarty, Chief, and his Assistants are men of ability.

The kindness of the doctors, superintendents and nurses, with their charming southern manners, has made us feel more at home. The nurses treat us with great deference, their attitude being that anyone of the "big New York Hospitals" is an authority on nursing. There is a great lack of rigid hospital etiquette, but the easy going, friendly spirit of the place is delightful.

There are always other specials in the hospitals, nurses from England, Scotland and Canada, but mostly from the States, Virginia, North and South Carolina and Georgia. Some have come with members of their families who are not well, to stay indefinitely. Others are tourists like ourselves. We have met some splendid women among them, and working with those from different parts of the country, we learn their points of view on questions always of interest to nurses.

Altogether, it has been an interesting experience and we shall say good-bye to them all with a warm place in our hearts for Florida.

ROSE GREEN.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Marie Kraemer is relieving in the Asthma Clinic at the Hospital during Miss Henderson's illness.

Miss Hazel Emmet is in charge of the Nose and Throat Clinic which has recently opened at the New York Hospital in connection with the Asthma Clinic.

Miss L. Vanderwerker has taken Miss Muriel Massett's place as suture nurse on the Second Surgical Division.

We are very glad that the health of Miss Mabel O'Brien has made possible her return to the Hospital. She is now in charge of the Admitting Department and Ward "E."

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The Graduation Exercises of the Class of 1924 were held on March 12th, 1924 at 8:30 P. M. in the Administration Building of the Hospital.

Twenty-one young women were presented with their diplomas and medals—by Mr. Edward W. Sheldon, President of the Board of Governors of The New York Hospital.

In a brief address he emphasized the responsibilities of those who undertake as their mission in life, the care of the sick.

The address to the Graduates was made by the Rev. Karl Reiland, Rector of St. George's Church. Dr. Reiland stated that "In the olden days, the priest was always given precedence, but that now he would place the nurse first, the physician second and the priest third." That the nurse should never treat a patient as a case, but always should be considered as an individual responsive to care and kindness." He warned against settling into a rut.

The Graduates were:—

CLASS 1924

Harriet M. Awrey	Helen R. Muddell
Millicent H. Bush	Dorothy F. Mulligan
Ruby P. Butner	Madeline M. O'Brien
Helen M. Corrigan	Anna L. Shalling
Margaret D. Crandall	Suzanne W. Sheridan
Emily L. Dunn	Doris A. Slack
Elta B. Farnham	Emily M. Whittard
Edith R. Forbes	Pauline H. Wills
Grace E. Henderson	Martina S. VanDeth
Marie de C. Kavanagh	Mary C. Yates
Eleanor Mackay	

The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing, heartily enjoyed by the nurses and their friends.

PERSONALS

Miss Mary Vroom spent January with Mrs. E. K. Camp at Home Hills, Atlantic Highlands, N. J., and is spending the remainder of the winter in Lakehurst, N. J.

Miss Ada Stewart sailed for a trip abroad in February.

Miss Anne Hatton sailed for England in March.

Miss Isabelle Gordon has left for a trip to California with a patient, to be gone about six weeks.

Miss Helen Durland and Miss Patti Foster are taking a trip through the West.

Miss Hulda Loomis spent the winter at Aiken, S. C., and other popular Southern Resorts.

Miss Marian Ferguson writes that she is enjoying her Mediterranean trip.

Miss M. McCabe has just returned from a six week's vacation spent in Glen Falls, N. Y.

Miss Irene Kelly has just returned from spending a three week's vacation at her home.

Miss Jessie King has returned to the Club and resumed Private Duty Nursing.

Miss Alice Morgan has accepted a position at the Club as Assistant in the Office.

Miss Mabel Niekirk has accepted the position as Assistant Parish Nurse at the St. George's Hospital.

Miss Mabel Starr is relieving Miss Barbee during her absence at the Vanderbilt Clinic.

Miss Eva C. Bryan has accepted a position with the Consolidated Gas Company, Long Island City.

Miss Clara Green is convalescing at the home of her sister in Ossining, N. Y., after her illness at the Hospital.

The Nurses who have been ill at the Hospital since our last issue are:—Mrs. B. A. Aicrigg (Miss Florence Young), Miss Margaret Rankin (1901), Miss Lena Hubbard, Miss Clara Green, Miss Susie Armstrong, Miss Mary Gregory and Mrs. Frank Potter (Miss Nellie Taylor, 1921.)

Miss Betty Feagles is still ill at the Oakland Sanitarium, Oakland Road, Asheville, N. C.

Miss Eugenia Barnfield has resigned her position as Assistant at the Club, and expects to return to her home in Bermuda, where she will engage in Institutional work.

Miss Cora Long has sent very interesting and descriptive letters from various points of her Trip Around The World. She is expected back in New York the last of March.

Miss Elizabeth Hay has returned from her trip abroad, where she has been with a patient, and is living at the Club.

Mrs. Helen K. Edwards has charge of the Dining Room at the Club. Her genial manner and efficiency has won for her the regard of all the nurses.

Miss Amy Hill, who is well known to our Association for the splendid work she has done in the Nursing Field, made the members of the Club glad with a visit recently, having returned from several months spent in California for her health. She expects to sail in April for her home in England.

A very delightful letter was received from Miss Agatha Stewart telling about Digby, Nova Scotia. Extract as follows:—

"If a pen could describe the real beauty and charm of Nova Scotia, I would do so, for I have always felt that if tired nurses could experience the rest and charm of a Holiday in Nova Scotia, it would mean much to them. Perhaps some day a Holiday in Digby will tempt some of the nurses to see how very restful and sweet it is after the busy life in New York."

On February 16th, a dance was held at the Club for the benefit of completing the furnishings of the Library. A spirit of such enthusiasm and co-operation prevailed that \$219.50 was netted toward the accomplishment of this purpose. Not only graduates, but patients, doctors and friends, supported the effort whole heartedly.

The function itself was considered one of the most enjoyable ever held at the Club. Valentine decorations contributed to the general effect and a four piece orchestra of exceptional merit apparently satisfied the most fastidious taste. Miss Muirheid and Miss Miller acted as hostesses of the evening.

A Bridge Whist Party is to be given after Lent, by the older members to increase the Fund for the furnishings of the Library.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Mrs. Schuyler Brown (Miss Gibson 1901) in the loss of her mother. To Miss M. Beecroft in the loss of her Brother. To Miss Lillian Rowe in the loss of her father. To Miss Nina Sinnott and to Miss Bertha Sinnott in the loss of their mother. To Miss Alice Himes in the loss of her little nephew.

A very interesting talk was given by Miss Deans, Secretary of the American Nurses' Association to the Graduating Class of 1924 on March 13th at the Club after the Regular Alumnae meeting. Miss Deans told of the origin and evolution of the Nurses' Organization through the medium of charts and showed how the nurses by joining their own Alumnae Association would automatically become members of the District, of the State and of the American Nurses' Association. She also stated that the American Nurses' Association was the largest organized body of women in the "World," which is very worthy of interest.

A very delightful Social Gathering with refreshments was enjoyed by all, provided by Miss Muirheid.

MARRIAGES

Miss Amy Gildersleeve (1921) to Dr. Paul Baldwin Schuey, March 17th, 1924, at the Little Church Around the Corner.

Miss Helen Niekirk (1922) to Dr. George W. Waterman, December 29th, 1923—St. James Church, Pittston, Pa.

Miss Irene Buckland (1918) to Mr. Abbott Jenks, February 23rd, 1924. Residence—Coaticooke, Ontario, Canada.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The engagement of Miss Irma Tucker to Mr. Roy McKenzie, is announced.

The engagement of Miss Beatrice A. Anderson to Mr. Sidney Tisdale Livingstone. The wedding will take place in April.

The engagement of Ida Jane Anstead (1913) to Mr. A. A. Parmeter of Albany, N. Y., is announced.

The engagement of Miss Ara Arnold (1920) to Mr. Carman Kenny of Toronto, Canada, is announced.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kennedy, nee Ruth Frasius, 1915, a daughter, Patricia—February 20th, 1924.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan Lewis, nee Helen Talcott, 1918, a son, Hugh Vaughan—December 19th, 1923.

DEATHS

Miss Susie M. Armstrong—1903, died at the N. Y. Hospital, March 16, 1924.

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L. G. WHITTIER.

EDITORIALS

Every one is aware of the great fundamental fact, that nothing, no matter how cherished, no condition or arrangement, no matter how satisfactory, will remain without change. This has been thrust upon us anew. We speak for all when we state the deep regret that is ours, because of the resignation of Miss Nellie Gillette, who has been our Superintendent and friend for the past five years. She has entered upon a vacation period for the benefit of her health—and our earnest hopes are for a complete restoration.

None of us at this time need any introduction to Miss Bernetta Miller. Ere this, we have all learned to know her, not only as our Superintendent, but as the firm Guardian of our HOME, the Club, and friend to all. Her genial personality is sure to seat her the more firmly in the deep regard of every member as the months pass.

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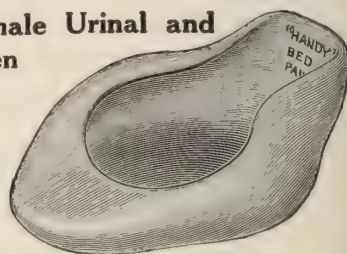
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MEETINGS

The New York State Nurses will hold their Convention in Syracuse, N. Y., October 28th, 29th and 30th proximo, 1924.

Important Open Meeting

Thursday, October 9, a most important meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held at the Club. There will be a discussion as to whether non-resident members of the Association should pay club dues as well as registration dues when they desire to receive calls from our Registry. This matter was postponed at the June meeting and all non-resident members of the Association are invited to come to the October meeting and help to decide the question.

At this meeting Miss Hitchcock will submit her convention report.

ITEMS FROM ALUMNAE MEETINGS

At the June meeting it was decided to condense the summer issue of the NEWS and the suggestion was made that the printing in full of the minutes of the Alumnae Association monthly meetings might be dispensed with by publishing items of especial interest only.

Miss Hitchcock spoke at the March meeting of the memorial service for Dr. Emmet L. Holt to be held on Sunday and also of the wonderful work for humanity done by Dr. Holt during his lifetime and proposed that a resolution be sent to Mrs. Holt expressing our loss in his death. The motion was made and carried that the Chair appoint a committee to draw up such a resolution.

The following committee was appointed by Miss Hitchcock: Miss Rykert, Chairman, Miss Sutcliffe, Miss Denike.

At the May meeting the following report was given of Red Cross activities by Miss Jouffret:

At the regional conference of the American Red Cross chapters which took place on April 14th and 15th at the Waldorf-Astoria, Dr. D. B. Armstrong, Assistant Secretary of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, spoke on the "Red Cross Nurse Today." "The 40,000 Red Cross Nurses in America," he said, "hold the front line trenches against disease. They contribute more than any other class toward hygiene and education among the people. The nurse should urge all with whom she comes in contact to visit their physicians regularly for a health examination."

Miss Golding suggested that a committee be appointed by the Chair to draw up a resolution on Mr. Ludlam's death. Miss Hitchcock instructed the Secretary to write Miss Sutcliffe asking her to draw such a resolution and send it to the family of Mr. Ludlam. Miss Jordan was asked to send flowers and an expression of loyalty and affection from members of the Alumnae.

In accordance with Miss Golding's suggestion the following resolution on the death of Mr. Ludlam was sent to his family:

Whereas, the late George P. Ludlam was closely associated with the New York Hospital Training School for Nurses from its earliest days, and

Whereas, he has for many years maintained a most cordial relation to it, and manifested an unfailing interest in its progress and welfare, therefore be it

Resolved, that in his death the New York Hospital Alumnae Association has lost not only an honored and honorary member of its organization, but also a loyal friend and valued adviser, be it also

Resolved, that this expression of appreciation of our share in the benefits of his long and well rounded life, and of our sympathy for those who mourn his loss, be inscribed upon the minutes of this meeting, and that a copy of the same be sent to the family.

Signed, CLARA W. SHAW,
IRENE H. SUTLIFFE,
ELIZABETH E. GOLDING,
Committee of Resolutions.

The item of especial interest at the June meeting was a letter from Miss Emily Stewart asking that an open meeting be called for the discussion of a question which has been raised by non-resident members; viz., the paying of club dues in addition to registration dues before non-resident nurses are allowed to use the registry. After discussion it was moved, seconded and carried that this matter be put over until the October meeting when the subject will be brought up for discussion, and decision. It was decided to notify all members through the ALUMNAE NEWS and it is hoped a representative gathering will be at the October meeting.

At each of these meetings Miss Muirheid was hostess, serving delicious refreshments.

NURSES AS HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

The course in hygiene and home nursing which is a part of the curriculum for girls in the high schools of New York City is an outgrowth of the work of the American Red Cross. In 1913 the American Red Cross as part of its preparedness program instituted a definite series of lessons in home nursing, and appointed instructors to give a course in home hygiene and care of the sick. Many women throughout the country during the stormy years that followed availed themselves of this opportunity to gain useful nursing knowledge and rendered valuable assistance to the overburdened nursing corps of the country.

Shortly after the close of the war, in 1919, this course, modified somewhat to meet the needs of the students, was introduced into several of the New York public high schools. It was maintained and financed by the Red Cross for four years.

In 1923 the course was formally adopted by the New York Department of Education and is now an integral part of the public school system.

The course as given to the high school students concerns itself primarily with home sanitation. Elementary sick room procedures, and the care of the baby. Considerable stress is laid upon principles of personal hygiene and the causes, symptoms, and prevention of communicable and other diseases. The course has also been found of value as a pre-vocational training for the young woman who desires upon graduation from the high school to enter a school of nursing and become a professional nurse.

At the present time to be eligible for license as teacher in hygiene and home nursing in the high schools of New York City the applicant must have the following qualifications: Graduation from a high school or an equivalent academic education approved by the Board of Examiners of the Department of Education together with graduation from a registered school of nursing and a post graduate course in the teaching of the subjects at a recognized vocational college or Red Cross Nursing Center and three years' experience as a registered nurse.

The foregoing is only the barest outline of the work. As this is practically a new field for the professional nurse it would seem only fitting that the graduates of the New York Hospital should avail themselves of the opportunity offered of enlarging the sphere of influence of the nursing profession.

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Constitution and By-Laws booklets are now ready and can be had by applying for them at the Club office.

PERSONALS

The NEWS extends to Miss Edna Tropp (1916) sincere sympathy in the loss of her mother. Mrs. Tropp died at 259 Lincoln Avenue, Elizabeth, N. J., on May 13, 1924.

A wedding of great interest to the Alumnae is the marriage of one of our most recent hospital graduates, Miss Elsie Jessup (1924). Miss Jessup was married from the British Consulate in Paris on April 10, 1924, to Mr. George Waring. To Mr. and Mrs. Waring the NEWS extend congratulations.

The following wedding announcement comes to us from Albany: Mrs. William Charles Anstead announces the marriage of her daughter, Ida Jane, to Mr. Albert Arthur Palmateer on Saturday, May 31st, 1924. Mrs. Palmateer (1913) was Superintendent of the House of Mercy Hospital, Pittsfield, Mass. She was overseas with our unit from 1917-1919. Sincere congratulations from the NEWS.

Miss Nancy McGehee (1910) is taking up her professional duties at her home in Lynchburg, Va., having resigned from her position at the Woman's Hospital, New York.

Miss Marion Proctor (1914) returned to her home in Quebec to resume her work with the Red Cross Immigration Bureau.

The following members of our Alumnae have recently taken positions as superintendents: Miss Mary Fauquier (1910), Beekman Street Hospital, New York; Miss Bertha H. Lehmkuhl (1910), Fifth Avenue Hospital; Mrs. Mabel K. Knudson (1914), Maple Cottage, a vacation home at Peapack, N. J.

Miss Muirheid is Registrar at the Club in the absence of Miss Wood who left for her summer home in the country on May 1st.

Miss Doris A. Slack (1924) and Miss Martina S. Van Deth (1924) sailed May 24th on the New Amsterdam for Brussels where they will visit at the home of Miss Van Deth. Both of these graduates are congratulated upon the splendid institutional positions they have taken in Holland.

A letter from Miss Jessie P. Wilson says that she much enjoys receiving the News with its personal items regarding the Alumnae. Since October she has been in charge of the obstetrical division of the New Haven Hospital and assistant instructor in the Yale School of Nursing.

Miss Edna Williams (1912) is spending her vacation at her home in Yarmouth, N. S.

Miss Etta Weldon (1912) is at her home in Linsay, Ont., for her summer holiday.

The following interesting item from Henry Street has been sent us by Miss Laura G. Barrett (1900):

"Whatever greatly interests Henry Street should be of interest to all the nurses of the New York Hospital."

As you know Miss Wald, Miss Goodrich and Miss Hitchcock were the founders of the Visiting Nurse Service and all are graduates of our Hospital. Beside these Miss Horton and Miss Barrett are members of the Henry Street staff. Many others of our Alumnae have worked with us for a time and have then gone to other fields carrying the spirit and inspiration of the organization with them.

The evening of the 12th of April was a very happy occasion for the visiting nurses, when a party was given them by the nursing committee. A delightful entertainment and supper were provided, but the chief joy was in the awarding of the service pin for years of service. The insignia in blue enamel and gold for five years or over and with a sapphire pendant for ten years and more. The meaning of the insignia, "Universal Brotherhood," gives to the visiting nurse a deep appreciation of this gift. To make our evening quite perfect, music was provided and the rest of the evening was spent in dancing.

(Miss Laura G. Barrett and Miss C. E. Horton received the medal for ten years of service.—Ed.)

Miss Margaret Crandall (1924) has accepted the position of Relief Nurse at the Hospital.

Miss Hazel Emmett (1920) has taken charge of the Public Operating Room at the Hospital.

Miss Leona Johnston (1912) has returned from her vacation.

Miss Edith Cox (1921) recently lost her father. The NEWS offers sincere sympathy.

The engagement of Miss Florence Elizabeth Munn (1921) to Mr. John Paul Straford of Los Angeles, Cal., is announced.

A recent wedding in the class of 1921 took place recently in Stamford, Conn., when Miss Catherine Sherrill was married to Mr. Herbert Titus Hand. The NEWS extends best wishes to the young people.

Miss Hitchcock has returned from the Detroit Convention and has gone for the summer to Amherst, Mass.

At Stony Brook, L. I., on June 1st, Miss Jane Livermore was married to Mr. William Sieh Wells. The NEWS extends to Mr. and Mrs. Wells its sincere congratulations.

We are happy to record the arrival of a baby girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. C. McIlroy (nee Winifred W. Hawkins, 1919).

Miss Cora M. Long (1920) is once more a guest at the Club, having returned from a trip around the world. The NEWS would like to see in an early issue an account of Miss Long's adventures.

A marriage of interest to the NEWS readers took place in Pittsburgh on April 22, when Miss Anne Hildred (1918) became the bride of Mr. E. A. Meyer. We wish the young couple every happiness.

Mrs. Beatrice Anderson Tapley (1909) sends us a charming little note in which she encloses the following item: Tapley-Anderson, at St. Peter's Church, Hamilton, Canada, on Saturday, April 26,

1924, by the Rev. Mr. Ten Eyck, Beatrice Alice, daughter of Mrs. Anderson and the late Mr. William James Anderson, to Mr. Harry Mark Tapley of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Tapley are living at 6 Beaufort Place, New Rochelle. As Mrs. Tapley has such a host of warm friends in New York we know this item will be of much pleasure. The News adds a "Bon Voyage."

At the "Little Church Around the Corner," on May 1, 1924, a lovely wedding was solemnized when Miss Ara Arnold (1920) became Mrs. Carman R. Kenny. To Mr. and Mrs. Kenny go congratulations and the News best wishes.

Another wedding of much interest was celebrated at the beautiful Church of the Incarnation, New York. Miss Hilda Gaunt and Mr. William Soule were married by the Rector. Congratulations and best wishes from the News.

An April wedding took place in the ranks of the class of 1919 when on the eighth of the month Miss Florence N. Murphy was married to Mr. Rupert May. The News joins the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. May in wishing them the greatest happiness.

On May 1st Miss Gill (1901) entered upon her new duties at the White Plains Hospital.

Miss Eleanor D. McNamara (1907) whose account of her new field as an instructor in our city high schools is in this issue of the News has been appointed to the Erasmus High School of Brooklyn. This famous school noted for its progressive methods, seems a fitting place for our Miss McNamara to begin her life as a pedagogue.

We conclude our "personals" with an item that seems like a refreshing breeze amidst the torrid heat of the city. It is both a news item and an invitation. It comes from our beloved President, Miss Hitchcock.

"On the edge of a deep fern-spangled dell which is watered by a chuckling mountain stream, stands 'Wasabarn.'" To this sylvan retreat Miss Hitchcock bids us all welcome for here she will spend her summer holiday. "Should any of the Alumnae be motoring up the Connecticut Valley," continues Miss Hitchcock, "please remember that a welcome awaits at 'Wasabarn.' Ginger-ale is always kept on ice for the unexpected guest." "Wasabarn" is the cleverly remodeled

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EDITORIAL

Early in the morning of April 14th, full of years and honor, died George P. Ludlam.

His was a life spent in devoted service to others. Each New York nurse cannot but feel that this loss is hers and a personal one. Those of us of the old days when Mr. Ludlam still lived and worked amongst us vividly remember his kindly, gracious presence, as he moved through the hospital's offices and corridors and in the wards where lay the sick poor whom he loved.

Which one of us can visualize her graduation night without that kindly face, smiling its goodwill upon us all? The warm handclasp, too, with the spoken words of hope for our future as we stood upon the threshold of our life in the world. So well he seemed to know and understand for was there not a certain look of pity in his eyes?

Then, the Christmas-tree, in the brilliant, garnished Children's Ward. Here we stood to sing the carols, first as timid, shrinking probationers and finally as confident seniors. There was the group of New York's distinguished citizens on whom we gazed from our place close by the harmonium. Were we not always proud of our Superintendent as clad in faultless evening dress with his silvered hair and dignified mien he seemed to dominate and shine amid the throng of guests!

Yes, he has gone. But has he not left the world, the New York Hospital and its nurses the better for his having lived?

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While most of us old graduates are content to move along in the even tenor of our way, we always feel an inspiring thrill of pride at each new achievement of one of our more distinguished sisters.

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Can one think of nursing service during the Great War without forming a mental picture of Julia Stimson. She may be garbed in the army uniform or clad in the familiar blue with snowy kerchief, yet we see her Junoesque figure with its crown of sunny hair bending over beds in Ward L.

There is the Red Cross with its Florence Johnson and her Nightingale medal, giving that incredible service to the returned wounded from overseas.

So many more are there that we may count our nurses pioneers in the field of service. Now comes our latest peace-time accomplishment. One of our number has entered New York's Department of Education as an instructor. In her usual straightforward manner Eleanor McNamara tells in this issue the story of her work in this new field, inviting her confreres to join her in becoming a nurse-school-teacher.

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An N. Y. H. Alumnae Breakfast was given during the convention at which 22 were present. Miss Hitchcock, our delegate, will give a report of the convention at the October meeting of the Alumnae.

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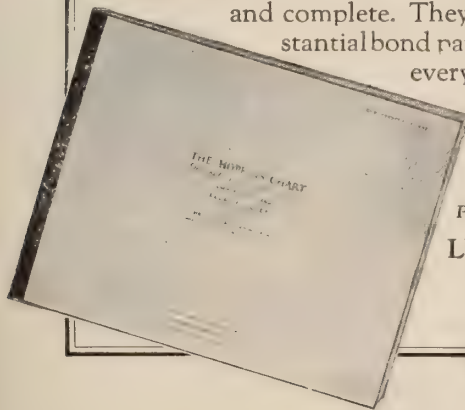
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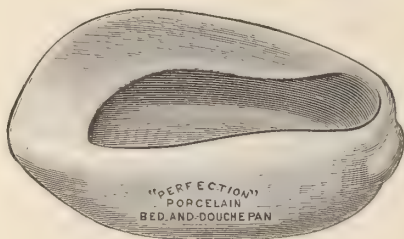


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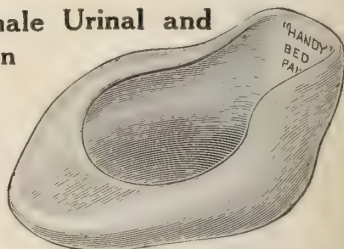
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OCTOBER ALUMNAE MEETING

The long discussed question has been settled as to whether nurses not living at the Club might use the Registry without paying both club and registry dues. A motion was made by Miss Duncan and seconded by Miss Golding, that registration dues be ten dollars, which will include club membership. The motion was carried.

Of course, the outstanding event was the report of our President in her official capacity as delegate to the Detroit convention. This report is published in full.

A large attendance of both old and new members made the meeting a memorable one. Among those present were: Miss Walton, Miss Reutinger, Miss Mary Holland, Miss Benz, Miss Golding, Miss Pencheon, Miss Jordan, Miss Cox, Miss Moore, Miss Buchanan, Miss Hayes and Miss Juanita Woods.

REPORT OF THE BIENNIAL NATIONAL NURSING CONVENTION

DETROIT, MICH., JUNE 16-21, 1924

As we started out from the Hotel Statler to attend the meeting of the Biennial National Nursing Convention we paused for a second and looked about for some one to direct us. Before we had sought advice our attention was caught by the white marks of a gigantic foot-print. Then we saw another and another and, hypnotized, we found ourselves following on their trail. After a number of blocks a number of crossings and what seemed a devious path, the foot-prints turned for the first time and the toe of a boot made an imprint on the steps of a building. Our game interrupted we stopped, looked about us and saw that we were on the steps of the Cass Technical High School where all of the General Sessions of the Convention were to be held. We entered, found our seats, thrilled over the first sight of that tremendous gathering of fellow workers and then, when the program was finished, stepped out to the pavement to find another succession of foot-prints beckoning us off in another direction. So we played "Follow the Leader" again and were decoyed down several blocks and finally were released at the door of the Woodward Avenue Baptist Church wherein was Convention Headquarters. Here we joined the seemingly endless line of nurses who were registering and going through other formalities of delegates and guests. Having attended to this business and passed out on to the Avenue, we again found the friendly foot-prints that led us this time past the Central Methodist Church where Round Tables and Section Meetings were

held, and then back to the Statler Hotel—the circle complete, all official buildings visited, and not an inquiry for direction necessary! Those foot-prints come back to me like the frame of a wonderful picture—a great, big glorious canvas with every detail a masterpiece!

My mind runs back over the absorbing week and it seems to me that my impressions are much like the foot-prints. It would be comparatively easy to show you the frame, to tell you of the delightful journey out over the N. Y. C. R.R. ending with the night boat over moonlit waters from Buffalo to Detroit; and the comfortable and happy journey home in the society of other nurses. But to show you the picture with its riches of detail, to give you any conception of the meetings, of the contacts with four thousand nurses, to report to you the impressions that were continuously being registered and then, sometimes lost, is a task too big to be even contemplated. I can only hope to call your attention to a few of the high spots, and to pass on to you a sense of the atmosphere that absorbed and stimulated one to an exhausting degree.

Sunday, the day before the opening of the Convention, was a Safety First Day in Detroit. I believe there was a parade but we did not happen to see it. My own move toward safety had been vaccination before starting out from New York. This preparatory incident and an occasional glimpse of an inflamed arm through a thin sleeve was all that one saw or heard about the small-pox epidemic that seemed at one time to threaten the holding of the convention. But no. The meetings were not to be postponed. The 768 delegates and the (approximate) 4,000 guests were not to be put off, and they were welcomed to Detroit's household just as warmly as though the home nursery were not in the grip of a serious contagious disease.

It is not necessary to describe the group. One is accustomed to being proud of her own family and we took calmly the testimony of the Detroit press that said we were "intelligent, alert, well-mannered, good looking and well dressed." Well, of course. Why mention it?

Now for the meetings. There were two departures from some of the former customs—

1. The General Sessions were common to the three national groups. The hours in which they were held were kept clear on the program from conflicting section or round table meetings.

2. Outside social functions were omitted except for a boat ride which included inspection of the great Park Davis Laboratories.

The General Sessions were imposing, dignified and inspiring but they were crowded and hot and even with the amplifiers it was difficult to hear well in all parts of the big audience room. There were many moments of high enthusiasm when the audience sprang to its

feet and gave voiceful expression to its respect for the speaker. Perhaps the most conspicuous greeting was given to our own Annie W. Goodrich. When she stepped forward onto the platform some of the youngsters on the front row in the balcony gave the yell of the Army School, and then they rollicked off with—

“O! here’s to Annie Goodrich,
Annie Goodrich, Annie Goodrich.
O! here’s to Annie Goodrich
Who’s with us tonight!”

The whole audience stood and waved and applauded, and every New York nurse nearly burst in the inflation of her pride.

Your delegate had hardly hung up her hat when Miss Golding casually mentioned that an early and important duty of the New York Hospital representative was to run off some sort of a meal for the New York Hospital nurses. It does not seem that a thing of this sort should absorb much time but it did, and several meetings missed the presence of your delegate while she was pursuing dining-room managers and head waiters, or was running down a clue to an N.Y.H. who might not be informed of the event. Breakfast seemed to be the meal of choice and twenty-two of us drank our coffee in common in a flower-bedecked, sun-brightened breakfast room of the Hotel Statler. It was unfortunate that three of our most brilliant lights were not there. Miss Samuel was in Detroit but we did not know it and she was not notified. Miss Goodrich had not arrived. Major Stimson was detained by a very important matter connected with the Convention. The rest of us were on hand and Miss Dakin agreed to tell you all about it through the columns of the NEWS.

Although social functions were taboo with the exception of the boat ride already mentioned there was a continuous succession of breakfasts, luncheons and dinners arranged by the guests themselves for informal contacts and easy “get togethers.” They were squeezed in between scheduled events and were very worth while.

Many of the luncheons and dinners had prepared after-dinner speakers who were so weighty in thought that I feared for the digestions of the diners. Altogether, however, they afforded an avenue of exchange of experiences that was delightfully off-hand and yet was controlled by a chairman who kept the enthusiasm of the too loquacious under agreeable control. These after-meal conferences and the Round Tables were periods of rich intake for the field worker. One of deep interest was in the ballroom of the Hotel Statler. About 300 public health nurses sat after lunch and talked out their problems in rural nursing. The requisite preparation of the rural nurse is a

grave question. The choice of the woman who is given this trust is graver still.

At times your representative found herself reaching up for air in deep waters. At a Luncheon Round table to which she was courteously invited by the public health nurses the discussion was on the "*Content and Method of Instruction of the Course in Principles of Public Health Nursing.*" That sounds overwhelming, but after all it only means, "*What Shall We Teach Nurses to Fit Them for Public Health Nursing? How Shall We Teach It?*"—and we breath again! There was much meat in the ideas presented and, when your representative made a detour after the meetings and spent a couple of days with a Red Cross Nurse in a rural county in Michigan, many of the points came up to her mind with fresh clarity.

Your representative was asked to take part in one of the Round Tables of the of the A. N. A. by virtue of her connection with this Alumnae Association. The subject was: *Getting Young Graduates Interested in Organizations. Particularly with Respect to Building Up School of Nursing Endowments.* Miss Lawlor of Johns Hopkins was the chairman. Miss Sally Johnson of the Massachusetts General made some fine points in her peculiarly forceful manner. She said that she begins at the very first with a new class and drills into the minds of the students answers to questions like this: Question—What organizations shall each nurse join immediately upon graduation? Answer—Her Alumnae Association and the American Red Cross Nursing Service. Question—To what other bodies of nurses does membership in her Alumnae give her membership? Answer—To the State Association and to the American Nurses Association. And thus Miss Johnson goes on from step to step until she has covered the privileges and responsibilities of nurses. One association reported giving membership without dues to the graduating class for a period of six months or a year. The group were much interested to hear of the formal and ceremonious manner in which the newly graduated New York Hospital nurses were received into the association, and how little difficulty the association had in getting their early membership. All associations seem to have a common problem in the question of how to make the meetings of interest to all—the young graduates as well as the older ones.

Thursday morning was set aside for Section Meetings. It was an oppressively hot day, but everybody was out and eager for something more on her pet subject. I went first to the section on School Nursing but the room was so packed that it was difficult to hear, and the heat was so great that after an hour of tense listening I withdrew, caught my breath in the draft in the hall, and then went to the section

on Tuberculosis Nursing. There I found that the general talk stressed a phase of the tuberculosis situation that is serious. The vital statistics of the United States tell us that tuberculosis is our largest cause of death. It is preventable, controllable and largely curable. We nurses are eager to help reduce the mortality and yet, comparatively few of us have any experience in nursing this disease. Few general hospitals admit the tuberculous and schools of nursing rarely offer even an elective experience in the subject. The reasons for this are many and good but the fact remains that the campaign against the "great white plague" is being hampered by reason of the lack of good nursing. A great stumbling block—so I gather—is that affiliations between schools of nursing and tuberculosis sanatoria are taboo in many otherwise acceptable contacts, because the Director of Nurses in the tuberculosis institution, is not an R.N. Dr. H. A. Pattison of the National Tuberculosis Association in his remarks "expressed the general belief that student nurses, for the sake of their own protection and because tuberculosis is a universal problem and certain to be met by them, need experience in its care; that a still greater effort should be made to secure practical and theoretical training for student nurses. Dr. Pattison's paper contained valuable suggestions but aroused interesting discussions because he suggested that affiliation should be arranged with sanatoria whether or not the teaching staff or the nurses in charge were qualified registered nurses or graduates of tuberculosis courses without a general training." He said that if such stringent rules were followed without exceptions in comparable situations and if, for instance, doctors should refuse to be led by men outside of their profession, then health officers might not sit, as they do now, at the feet of C. E. A. Winslow whose title of doctor represents a Ph.D., not an M.D. Neither could bacteriologists hold the whip handle over doctors in their treatment of disease. He did not ask for a lowering of recognized standards but suggested that a body be created with power to grant exceptions. Perhaps we are too insistent upon academic standards. I do not know and do not pretend to have an opinion, but the question is one worthy of serious discussion.

An important function for us was the New York State dinner. It was the dressiest affair that your delegate attended but, nevertheless, one must have felt at ease in undress costume for she had many companions. Mrs. Hansen the State President was in the chair and made an excellent toast mistress. Our bright lights shone and sparkled and if only I had not lost my book I would tell you the points they made.

In the very hot afternoon of Thursday came the boat ride with

the hour's stop at the Park Davis Laboratories. There were two big boat loads of us with dancing, ginger pop, and a free shifting about for bits of gossip and pleasantries. Your delegate heard no serious conversation and she was congratulating the Convention that here it had found a time of relaxation when she became aware that, shut up tight in one of the cabins were the members of a committee that had been obliged to seize this, their only free hour, to hold an important meeting. There they remained through the entire afternoon, getting no glimpse of the lovely shore, the deep green water or the Park Davis Factory. Such are the sacrifices of those who lead us.

There are three groups in an event of the nature of this convention. There are the hostesses, the officers, the delegates and guests. In this instance all three groups comported themselves with suitable mien. Evidence of months of planning and arrangement on the part of our gracious hostesses was everywhere. Somebody must have been constantly greasing the wheels but it was done so quietly that one had to look sharply to find what made it move along so well. Doubtless the hardest part of the work of the hostesses was done before the arrival of the hoards. Then our officers and committees took over much of the task and work they certainly did! Attending committee meetings, registering delegates, looking after return transportation, counting ballots, planning, adjusting and readjusting, theirs was a responsibility that turned the week into a period of exhausting effort. The third group, namely, we, the delegates and visitors did our part to the queen's taste. We flooded the general sessions and made the welkin hark to the spontaneity and volume of our applause. We demonstrated our appreciation of the Section Meetings and Round Tables by packing them so tight that our physical discomfort was obvious. We made our final gesture of approval by casting our votes and electing pretty much the whole group right over again. We saw to it that the New York Hospital was represented by electing Miss Golding to serve on the Board of Directors of the American Nurses' Association.

In all of the above you may have noticed that there is no mention of the content of the inspiring reports and address of the General Sessions. That mine of gold so generously displayed to us by our brilliant nurse leaders, doctors and laymen was so rich in pure ore that the pick and shovel of your delegate seems ludicrously inadequate to bring to you any clear idea of the wonderful whole. The addresses and discussions have already been before you in the Report of the Proceedings and in the nursing journals. Hence, your delegate has merely selected the few quotations that follow and is pre-

senting them here, hoping that they may give you some idea of the riches of the whole.

• ADDA ELDRIDGE, President, American Nurses' Association

A tremendous responsibility rests upon us for the care of the patients, for the care of the sick, in the United States—a challenge not only to care for those who are ill, but a challenge as teachers of those who are well. One of the great challenges before us today is, how are the sick to be taken care of in our hospitals, not those hospitals running training schools, but those great hospitals for the care of the mentally sick, the care of those suffering from contagious diseases, those in our sanatoria for the care of tuberculosis. Many of our schools have not in the past given experience in the care of these different classes of patients. If every nurse will consider whether she could not give in these different hospitals even a few months, from three to six months' time, she would find, at the end of that time, that she had not only increased in experience, in efficiency, but that she had made a tremendous contribution. Also, if we fail, what? Is it to be Sairy Gamped again? We trust not.

• DR. CHARLES D. LOCKWOOD, Pasadena, Cal.

A nation's greatest asset is the health of its citizens; moral and intellectual decay go hand in hand with physical decadence. In large measure, the destiny of America lies in the hands of those of us who possess the knowledge and control the agencies which have to do with health and disease prevention. In all the chaos and confusion which envelop the world today, in all the misery and degradation which oppress the human spirit throughout the world, there is nothing so blighting as disease. It is the high mission of those of us who are trained in the prevention and treatment of disease to lead the way to healthier and happier lives. To accomplish these great ends, we shall need all of our resources and the utmost unity of purpose. We shall need a revival of the spirit of service which lies at the foundation of the medical profession and the nursing profession. Each must contribute the best in its possession. Society expects of us the solution of the health problems that are confronting it; it will ultimately demand that the best knowledge science has to offer in the prevention and cure of diseases shall be made available for the average man and woman.

CHARLES P. EMERSON, M.D., Indiana University

Now, the communicable diseases have certain characteristics which I would like to emphasize. First, these communicable diseases

are in large degree diseases of childhood. If a person escapes them until he is fourteen years old, the chances of his getting them later in life are much slighter. It is the child protoplasm, the child's body which is susceptible; and therefore we should give the child greater protection than we have ever given him.

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There is indeed a strong tide of twentieth century tendencies in civilization which tend to shorten life by means of disease. Not only that, but the stress and strain of the twentieth century certainly reduces immunity to infection. Add to this the dangers of rapid trains and still more dangerous automobiles and the lowering of our spiritual morale—were the average expectancy of life what it was in 1800 that would be a victory for public health measures. No, my critical friends, if any are in this hall, that which we call "general improvement of civilization" has tended to shorten life, and the very fact that the doctors and nurses have succeeded in lengthening life shows that they not only have stemmed a strong tide in the other direction, but that they have made actual progress and even added fifteen years to the average duration of human life.

HAVEN EMERSON, M.D., Columbia University

Let the educator of nurses make a citizen out of her pupil who may be trusted with civic as well as with personal duties for health.

Let the private duty nurse use her every opportunity in the sick-room to assist the family to an understanding of self-supporting medical and nursing services for personal health.

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WILLIAM J. NORTON, Detroit, Mich.

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The problem of securing a well balanced basic training for the student nurse is so involved with that of securing sufficient financial support for hospitals that I see no better way to attain it than to share the burden with the financially responsible. It is a matter of educating enough people to see it your way, and it is infinitely better psychology *to work with* people than to insist upon their doing something *your* way. Once men (or women) realize that they run the risk of having a nurse in a time of stress who is inadequately prepared simply because the hospital she trained in hadn't funds enough to relieve her of enough ward work to permit her to get the training she went for, they are going to put their right hands into their pockets. But so long as they have a feeling of suspicion about it all, so long as they imagine that "what the nurses want" is an "easy road," or something equally ridiculous as it is false, just so long will they refuse to make it possible.

The only way I can see to dispel these illusions is for you to open your hearts to them. You have only to do this to reap the fruits of your long years of labor and of ceaseless struggle for the ideal that is a light in the darkness of suffering. Not one of you but shares in the responsibilities now resting upon these new branches of education. You have cherished the hope, you have laid the foundation stones and put up the framework and you must help to build the walls. Each

here a chance to play—in Colorado.” She sends us the catalogue and syllabus of her new school. It is on file at the Club where all interested may see it.

Louise Parsons (1913) gives us an account of the new field she has established in Westchester County.

Miss Muirheid is spending October with her brother, George Muirheid, Esq., at Crestmuir, Trenton Junction, New Jersey.

A son was born on May 12, 1924 to Mr. and Mrs. Russell I. Becks (Edith Howard '14).

From the New York Times we quote the following: “Stamford, Conn., June 26—Miss Catherine Sherrill, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Sherrill of Shippan and Herbert T. Hand, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert T. Hand of Riverside, were married here today. Mr. Hand is a member of Squadron “A” Association of New York City.

Another marriage in the ranks of the Class of 1921 occurred during the late summer when Miss Sarah Louise Acton was married to Mr. William John Hunt, Jr.

In Mexico City on July 17th Miss Hope Arnold (1917) and Richard I. Phillips of Elora, Mexico, were married. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips spent their honeymoon in Cuernavaca at “Border Gardens.”

Miss Sarah A. Bradley (1881) died suddenly last April in Florida. Her body was brought home and buried beside her parents in Silver Lake, New York.

On Saturday, October 4th, at the Little Church Around the Corner, Miss Irma Tucker (1922) was married to Mr. Roy MacKenzie.

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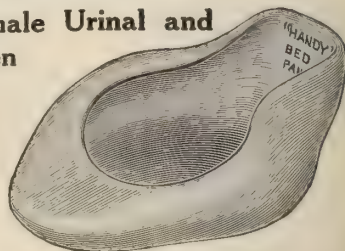
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14TH, 1924

The regular meeting of the New York Hospital Nurses' Association was held at the Club House on Thursday, November 14th, at 8.15 p. m.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted with the correction of Red Cross Roll Call instead of Red Cross Drive.

The Club House and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

Reports of the Board of Director's regular and special meetings were read and approved.

A letter was read from Miss Jouffret stating that she would take charge of the Red Cross Roll Call for the Alumnae and reporting that there was no Red Cross news for this meeting.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee presented the following names for membership:

Miss Grace E. Henderson	Miss Emily M. Whittard
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Miss Marie C. Yates	Miss Anna L. Shalling
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Miss Helen R. Muddell	Miss Helen M. Corrigan
Miss Madeleine M. O'Brien	Miss Marie de Kavanagh

It was moved, seconded and carried that upon payment of the annual dues these nurses be admitted into membership.

There were no reports from the other standing committees.

Miss Hitchcock spoke of the drive for financial aid to be started by Henry Street Settlement on November 19th and asked that any nurse having time to spare co-operate either by helping with the drive or by making dressings for use in the Henry Street work. On account of finances the work had to be curtailed during the summer and some of the staff laid off. It is hoped to raise enough money to help with the upkeep of 99 Park Avenue which has no endowment but is largely supported from the restaurant, this, of course, in addition to the regular Henry Street work.

NEW BUSINESS

The following letter was read from Miss A. Modjeska Foote:
Madame President,

My purpose in writing this letter is because it is impossible for the nurses on day or 24-hour duty to get to the meeting at 8.15 p. m.

When the *New Business* comes up I would like to have the following matter discussed by the nurses doing private duty, especially by those doing it outside the hospital.

1. To charge \$7 per day for 12-hour duty.
2. To charge \$8 per day for 24-hour duty.
3. To charge \$1 extra per day for nervous cases, alcoholic, venereal, scarlet fever, erysipelas, etc. or any case where the patient is on individual precautions.
4. To charge \$3 extra per day when there is a second patient.

Most of the nurses of the other hospitals are charging \$7.00 and even more per day. I personally know several nurses that charge from \$8.00 to \$10.00 per day for 12-hour duty.

I have been on day duty when the night nurses would not stay for \$6.00 per night and have demanded more.

I know that at a previous meeting at this Club the price agreed on was \$6.00 for general day duty, but I know that shortly after the other nurses started to charge \$7.00 and these were not nurses from Commercial Registeries but were nurses of the large hospitals who had agreed to charge the \$6.00 rate.

The personal experiences of other nurses in this Club I am sure will be similar to mine, and would suggest their being asked.

In closing I make the formal motion that the above rates be charged.

Yours very truly

Miss Hitchcock,

(Signed) A. MODJESKA FOOTE.

President, New York Hospital Nurses Alumnæ,
317 West 45th Street, New York.

This motion was put before the meeting, seconded and carried.

A notice of the death of Miss Prudence Danniston, class 1880, was read and a motion was made and seconded that a letter of sympathy be written to her family. A motion was also made and seconded that a letter of sympathy be sent to Miss Dumond on the recent death of her father. Carried.

The following names were elected by ballot for the Nominating Committee: Miss Lydia Anderson, Chairman, Miss Hildick, Miss Pencheon, Miss Cromwell, Mrs. Marquis.

Sixty-six ballots were cast. A motion was made and seconded that the ballots be destroyed.

While the ballots were being counted Miss Hitchcock gave a very interesting report of the State meeting held at Syracuse in October, and also touched upon the meeting at Detroit. At both these meetings the matter of charging each delegate \$1 registration fee to help defray the expense of the convention was discussed. The sum of fifty dollars pledged by our representative to the American Nurses' Relief Fund was approved by the Alumnæ. Miss Hitchcock also spoke of the important position held by four of our nurses, viz, Miss Jordan, Miss Golding, Miss Lydia Anderson and Miss Sara Olmstead and of the interesting and comprehensive papers read by them at the State meetings.

Miss Benz then read excerpts from the speech of Chancellor Flint of Syracuse University. Judging from the portions read this must have been an exceedingly fine paper and to have held the attention of all present.

Miss Jordan spoke briefly about the new calendars and wished to have as many as possible order them this evening.

There being no further business the motion was made to adjourn for refreshments.

NOTICES

MEMBERS WHO ARE IN ARREARS FOR THEIR 1924 DUES ARE REQUESTED TO REMIT SAME WITHOUT DELAY TO THE TREASURER.

The addresses of the following nurses are desired by the Treasurer: Mrs. Minnie D. Collins, Mrs. John W. Gould, Mrs. Donald Matheson, Miss Jean Geldert, Miss Jean MacKay.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEW YORK STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION

The New York State Nurses' Association held its twenty-third annual meeting at the Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, October 28-30. October 28 was given over to meetings of the New York State League of Nursing Education and the State Organization for Public Health Nursing. The first joint meeting was held that evening, Mathilde Kuhlman presiding. The invocation was pronounced by Dr. Bernard C. Clausen; the addresses of welcome were given by Hon. John H. Walrath, Mayor, and by Lesley West, President of the Huntington Foundation. The response was given by Eunice A. Smith, First Vice-President, after which an inspiring address on the Responsibilities and Opportunities of the Nurse was given by Chancellor Charles W. Flint, Syracuse University.

Dr. Livingston Farrand, President of Cornell University, gave an address which showed the necessity of having broad knowledge and understanding in order to carry on the work of a nurse efficiently.

Miss Goodrich read a most interesting paper on the "Evolution of the Nurse."

A banquet was given during the convention. This was a delightful affair and more than 800 nurses attended. The Alumnae Association of the hospital connected with Syracuse University invited the senior class of the Nursing School to attend the banquet as the guests of the Alumnae.

Miss Benz furnishes the News with the excerpts from the address of Chancellor Flint.

Chancellor Flint said in part:

In your dealings with a group of patients, you see not merely this individual or this group of individuals, but you realize that in them you are serving mankind. You are meeting the needs of mankind. You are relieving suffering, bringing comfort and happiness, and that general conception, that purpose of your profession should be manifested in your relationship to every individual case. It enables you to ennoble your profession, the realization of the call of your profession brought down and applied to every individual case. In some cases you need something of that kind to keep sweet on the job. It is the only salvation of any profession.

Your service is something that cannot be bought; something that cannot be paid for. There will be a matter of financial consideration, of course; I am not talking in enthusiastic terms, but the service that you can render at the time when you are called upon to render it is something which is not commonly measured with the ordinary standards of the marketplace. It cannot be computed in dollars or in any other terms by the medium of exchange. It is something which cannot be related in the matter of exchange. There will be a financial consideration but not based on the worth of the service. Your service is something that has never been computed in dollars and cents and I hope there will ever be that consciousness in your profession which will make you superior to this and other considerations, and while you will receive all that should be paid in the matter of the relationship of the financial world, I do not for a moment say anything against that, there will be that sense of superiority to these things which should be the common characteristic of all of our profession. In other words, I would say guard against any narrow vision or low ideal of the profession in which you are engaged, or from the purely material terms of the marketplace. Keep yourself superior in your consciousness and in the motive back of your service from anything of that kind.

I think one of the most pathetic things, not in the case of law, may not be in the case of medicine, but I am sure the most pathetic thing in the teaching profession, the ministry and nursing, is to find someone case hardened, who has become purely technical, purely formal, purely professional, who has lost that sense of dignity of the profession, who has lost that conception that I have tried to express to you under the head of the motive which renders the service.

I am going a little further in these three things, these three outstanding things as characterizing the profession, for your application to your own particular profession. A few things occurred to me which I humbly suggest merely for your consideration; I do not give them with any dogmatism, to say that you ought to accept these things because I say them and because I think them important enough to say. I am anxious to have the profession enhanced. I feel a personal relation; my only sister is a nurse at this time. May I suggest this, that your profession will continue to be enhanced as you combine with a professional mind the heart and a humble spirit. I mean that there must be more than mere technique; there must be the human relationship, more than the technical attitude—the human attitude; more than professional service, there must be the personal relationship in that service. I do not know whether I can get this idea across or not. A carpenter or a stone carver is dealing with inanimate material, inanimate nature; there is no feeling and no response. You reach a little different sphere; you are dealing with life, that which is alive. You recognize and I recognize that you have to do with a service more than merely physical, which is contact, relationships. More intricate and more delicate; you cannot deal with the physical organism by itself. There is that mysterious thing called life which calls for not merely the professional mind but for a relationship beyond that which is merely technical. The one

with whom you are to deal is not merely a patient. He or she is a person and the relationship of the person can never be divorced from the relationship to the patient. Your task is not merely a task then; it is also a duty. You must have reverence for the mysteries of life and for the spiritual tendency of the physical organism. Knowledge of life processes sometimes makes people contemptuous, but it is only the shallow-minded who become indifferent to the mysteries which are back of those processes with which they have to deal. Doctors are less prone than nurses because of the broader foundation of their study. If possible, the success of your profession will more than compensate for such advantage in that study.

You are called to stand frequently upon the border lines of eternity; whether it is being ushered into this world an immortal soul, and again when you stand as the spirit leaves that tenement of clay; you stand at the two borders of the great shore of eternity, and if there is any one profession which should increase reverence for the mysteries of life, it seems to me it ought to be your profession. By your knowledge of the physical methods of the Divine Creator, you have been called to be fellow workers with God, glad to serve Him by the knowledge that you have received. You are working with Him in enabling that spirit in its struggle against the body to come off victor in order to hold that body for service for a time longer. You are working with Him when you ease the pain and the suffering of those last hours before that spirit forsakes that body to return to the God that gave it. I think it is a fair thing to ask a group of nurses that these things should not be forgotten and if the individuals are going to live up to all there is in their profession, these things should never be eclipsed, should never pass from out of the mind. There should never be lost in indifference that sense of being priests at living altars, altars of living organisms and in that ideal of your profession, I am sure it will lift you above the unpleasant ordinary incidents, will lift you above the cold and indifferent professionalism and make you true servants of God as you are at the same time servants of mankind. Is that too high an ideal? Is that something at which we will shrug our shoulders and smile and turn to the concerns of our profession. We are dealing with the practicalities of life and the ordinary relationships we come in contact with. Is it too much to ask that you ought to regard your service of your profession as spiritual as well as physical and concern itself with the spiritual, as well as with the physical? For the body is the tenement of the soul; the body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, and the body itself has a holiness about it as a result of that relationship, a thing which we are prone to forget, especially when we become absorbed in the technicalities of the profession, in the business of the market place, even outside of your profession. Would I be justified in saying that we ought not to forget there is a spiritual element? The soul can rise no higher in the sphere of time than the body it serves will permit. It can rise only through it and by it and the chance to become better, to do more to serve, to help mankind, to become enlarged through service, depends very directly, very definitely, upon the condition of the physical organism and there is a relationship which cannot be

divorced and a service which cannot be separated. They must be considered together. I would suggest that this should be maintained in your mind in spite of the fact that the divine sometimes becomes obscured in some persons when they are patients. It is a time naturally when inhibitions are broken down. It is a time when capability is temporarily eclipsed; all the soul can do is to put up with the body, and sometimes that is a little too much for it and all that is divine and might otherwise be manifest has become obscured for that very reason. That is the time when the strong are weak, when the leader becomes dependent. In spite of these things—that you deal with humanity at its weakest, at its worst—you will meet some compensation of the spiritual service of the profession to keep you from taking a cynical view in regard to the relationships of life. I know possibly I am trespassing quite a little, but I am jealous of your profession. I see so much of possibility in it, so much of demand in it, and I hope that you see it and feel it. I have suggested that service is the keynote of all professions and of your profession and that you should consider your relationship to the welfare of all mankind in each individual case and anything that saves the soul in the drudgery of the individual task must feel this relationship to the great task of the profession. I suggested that you are fellow workers with God; I have suggested that you are priests at the altars of humanity and I cannot conceive of it reaching its highest as a profession or as an individual unless there is that growing of a religious faith, definite and clear, unless there is inspiration of that relationship with God, full and real and personal, without which these suggestions are absolutely impossible.

If I have become a little of the preacher, forgive me in my zeal for your profession and my interest in its advancement.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEW YORK STATE ORGANIZATION OF NURSES

Syracuse, October 28-30, 1924.

In the report of the Biennial National Nurses' Convention which your delegate had the honor to present to this Association at its last meeting, the attempt was made to give you a general impression of the whole without over much attention to detail. Tonight, may we consider a few facts from those meetings that were not brought into the report, but proved to be forerunners to actions taken in Syracuse and are needed as background for the Syracuse report.

REGISTRATION FEES

The Detroit meeting was the largest gathering of nurses that has ever taken place in the United States. Over 4,000 registered. The cost of such a meeting must have been a great financial problem upon the Detroit nurses and we, who profited thereby, felt that it was an unjust burden. Therefore in order to create an expense fund in the

future it was voted to impose a dollar registration fee at all future meetings of the Biennial Convention. In Detroit this would have netted over \$4,000 towards expenses without hardship to anyone.

REGISTRATION FEE AND PLACE OF MEETING

At the State meeting at Syracuse similar action was taken and it was voted to levy the dollar registration fee. It was further voted that the place of meeting should be left to the Board of Directors who should endeavor to place it in a locality where its presence was most needed. Small places may need the publicity and stimulation of nursing interests. If hotel accommodations are inadequate the substitution of private homes may prove to have great advantages. The substitution of town halls or churches in the place of hotel rooms may aid in bringing the aims of the profession before a phlegmatic community.

ETHICAL STANDARDS

Most professional, business and industrial groups have written ethical standards to present to individuals on joining a group. Ethics of nursing is taught in all schools of nursing but there is no concise, universal statement of an ideal that can be used in that way. The committee, believing that it would not be advisable for a single group in our widely diversified country to set up standards to be accepted by all voted that, following the presentation of the report at the Detroit meeting, it should be presented to all nurses in the country through their state organizations. This was introduced in the New York State meetings through the Committee on Professional Ethics of which Miss Elizabeth Burgess was chairman.

CENTRAL REGISTRIES

In two discussions on registries at Detroit it was agreed that Central registries controlled by nurses were better expressed by the word "official" instead of "professional." It was agreed that, as the function of registries is to supply service to the patient, the profession and the public, if persons other than registered nurses, such as attendants and practical nurses, are demanded by the public they should be enrolled at the registry, and should be carefully supervised by it.

"The registrar should be a woman with academic and cultural education; she should be trained for and have had experience in every phase of nursing; she should have business and executive ability; she should be physically fit to meet the demands of the Registry. She should be a registered nurse and a member of the local nursing organizations. A sufficient salary should be paid to attract this kind of a woman. Sufficient assistance should be given her to keep her in mental and physical condition to make the necessary contact with the public. There was unanimous condemnation of any graduate nurse, eligible for registration with the official registry, who would ally herself with a commercial registry. The conclusion was that the best way to eliminate the commercial registry is to elevate

the standard of the official registry and to extend its place in the community by sufficient advertising."

We have gone into this report more deeply than its importance on the general program would warrant because, being responsible for an important registry we need to be conversant with the question on all of its bearings.

ETHICS, PRIVATE DUTY NURSING, REGISTRIES

Ethical standards, private duty nursing and the conduct of registries were so interlocked that the morning spent on these three subjects seemed to be a unit although Miss Burgess and Miss Golding occupied the chair at different periods of the Round Table. Miss Golding opened her part of the session by giving her conception of professional ethics to be "Our inner consciousness of our obligation to the sick." This gave the keynote at the start and not a single selfish sentiment was expressed.

The question of fees or moneys was wisely kept out of the discussion, indeed, all reference to financial gains of nurses was taboo throughout the Convention. Most debate revolved about the question of specialization both as to hours (day or night) and as to the nature of the sickness or need. There were many sides expressed on this and I believe that the final unanimous decision was that there could be no hard rule on it, and that although in normal times a registered nurse might give her service to the group that interested her most, in times of stress or epidemic she should be ready to help wherever she is most needed, irrespective of preference. One of the younger nurses expressed it that "A nurse should do what she is called upon to do, and not what she would like to do." There is, or will be appointed, a State Commission on Ethics and it is hoped that the Alumnæ Associations will give space to the subject on their programs. Certainly there never was a stronger call for contemplation and stimulation of ideals than today when we are still suffering from the changed standards that were brought into the world by the Great War.

The report of the New York State Committee on the Registry Survey was read and the following recommendations were submitted. Resolved:

1. That the name of registries controlled by nurse organizations be changed from "professional" to "official."

2. That where two or more registries exist in a community they combine for the conduct and support of one.

3. That the Registrar shall be a woman with broad academic, cultural and nursing education and experience, with salary and assistance sufficient to attract such a person.

4. That a central registry shall combine all classes of nursing for the sick that the public of the locality may demand, namely Registered nurses, Practical nurses, Attendants, Trained Attendants, etc.

5. That the Governing Board of a registry shall be composed of Registered Nurses, and that it shall have an Advisory Council of medical men and representatives of the laity.

The Department of Education has begun an inspection of official registries to ascertain what proportion of registrants are actually licensed to practice in the State of New York. Some of the disclosures are astounding. To be explicit let us recall that passing the State Board Examination and receiving a certificate from the Regents does not license one to practice nursing in the State of New York, and to practice without a license is illegal "and his or her license may be suspended or revoked." The only legal procedure is to have the certificate which is received from the Department of Education, recorded in the County Clerk's office at once, and after that, re-registered at Albany yearly for publication in the yearly list. Our Registry will have its turn of inspection before many moons. May our showing do us credit.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

The report of Miss Gilman for the Board of Examiners was very long and equally interesting, being illustrated by graphs that clearly defined her points. It will doubtless be printed in the Journal but there are a few points that will be interesting to us as matters of conversational interest. In answer to the question as to whether there is a decreasing number of desirable women entering the field Miss Gilman compared the situation in 1914 when the apprentice system was in full swing, with that of 1924 when the schools of nursing have developed.

The ratio of nurses to patients is the same in 1924 that it was in 1914, namely, one nurse to every three and one-half occupied beds. In 1914 schools were working on the twelve-hour basis. In 1924 the eight-hour day is introduced in some schools and in all that follow the New York State curriculum five hours of each day is given to class work during the first part of the course. Furthermore, the processes of nursing take more time than formerly. For example, medicine lists are shorter but diet sheets are longer and the weighing and measuring of foods takes infinitely more time. The same holds good in treatments, trips to the X-ray room, etc. And so, in spite of the fact that schools have multiplied and the number of students have increased there are still many vacant places to be filled before the public is satisfied. It would be interesting to make a comparative study between the improved educational standing of nurses and the effect of her nursing as shown in the death rate, length of stay in hospital, number of cross infections, etc., etc.

A comparison of 1914 and 1924 as to the preliminary education of the nurse shows that—

1. College graduates entering schools of nursing decreased from 26 to 20.

2. Part time college increased by 3.

3. High school graduates increased by 514.
4. Two years high school increased by 210.
5. One year high school increased by 886.
6. Equivalents, a large reduction. Endowments are needed, and the central school plan should be developed both for reasons of economy and efficiency.

GRADING OF SCHOOLS

The grading of schools, a thing long needed, is at last on the eve of being accomplished. They will be judged on eight points varying

safe keeping of records and papers is urgently needed. It was voted to recommend to the Board of Directors the establishment of an office and the appointment of a full time, paid field assistant to the secretary of the State Association until such time as the constitution may be amended to permit the appointment of a full time executive secretary. Instead of increasing the dues to meet this expense it was suggested that, after a survey, the pro rata share of each district should be determined and the district should then assess itself or raise the money pledged in any way possible.

MONEY PLEDGED

Permit me to report that, believing it to be the will of this Association, your representative, on your behalf, pledged \$50 to the Relief Fund of the A. N. A.

NEW YORK HOSPITAL NURSES IN OFFICE

This Alumnae Association has the honor of having four of its members at present holding office in New York State organizations. They are:

Elizabeth E. Golding, Director N. Y. State Nurses' Association.
Minnie H. Jordan, Director N. Y. State Nurses' Association.
Lydia E. Anderson, Second Vice-President N. Y. State Nurses' Association.
Sara Olmsted, Director N. Y. State Organization for Public Health Nursing.

Respectfully submitted,

JANE ELIZABETH HITCHCOCK.

PERSONALS

A son, Ernest Jr., was born on July 6th to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Graves (Lucy Birnie, 1912).

Gladys Adams spent the summer in New York attending Summer School at Teachers' College. In the early autumn she returned to Paris.

Maude Ferguson also attended the summer course at Columbia taking social service as her subject. She is doing Public Health Work in Tennessee.

Mrs. G. H. Southwick spent a few days in New York renewing old friendships.

An interesting meeting was held December 10th at the Red Cross Teaching Center at which a number of our graduates were noticed. The group was called together at the request of His Eminence

Cardinal Hayes in order to discuss the possibility of the formation of a Catholic club for nurses. Miss Frances Cobban's sparkling and witty talk was quite the feature of the evening.

Marjorie Moore is to be congratulated upon her new position. She is instructor in pediatrics at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Miss Earle sailed on November 12th for Jamaica where she will spend the winter with her mother and her sister (Mrs. Maitland). In June she will return for the summer at Camp Sargo, Me., where she has been the camp nurse for five seasons.

Mrs. Edward B. McGillireay (Hilda Rutherford, 1920) spent a few days at the Club recently.

Miss Marion Proctor (1914) sailed from Quebec November 26th for England where she will spend the winter with her mother.

Miss Sutcliffe will be hostess at the Christmas Tea which will be given at the Club on December 31st from 3.30 to 6. A most cordial invitation to attend is extended to all our nurses.

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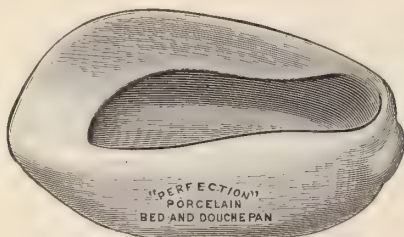
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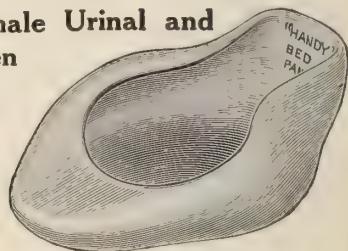
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SUMMARY OF MONTHLY MEETINGS

January was the annual meeting, when the usual yearly reports were presented and approved.

As a bit of regular business the following nurses were accepted into the membership of the Association: Miss Pauline K. Wills, Miss Dorothy Mulligan, Miss Susanna V. Sheridan, Miss Eleanor McKay.

Miss Sutcliffe reported that there were twelve nurses ill at Christmas time who were remembered by her Committee, each receiving a letter and a gift.

Miss Hitchcock, president, stated Miss Catherine Hay was chairman of the committee to raise funds to furnish our unit at the Nurses' House at Babylon, L. I., Misses Jessie Ring and Frances Bell as associates.

The following donations were approved: \$100 to Henry Street Settlement, \$100 to American Nurses' Relief Fund and \$100 to the Nurses' House at Babylon, the latter to be augmented through the Committee just appointed.

FEBRUARY MEETING

The usual routine reading of reports of Association and Club came first after which special reports and new business were in order. Miss Barrett stated that the dues for Sick Fund were not coming in very fast although due in January. Three donations had been received; \$50 from Mrs. Vincent Astor; commission earned by Miss Sutcliffe on the sale of Christmas cake, \$5.80; and an anonymous gift of \$2.50.

Miss Jouffret spoke on the work of the Red Cross among the children in the Balkans.

Miss Hitchcock then addressed the members on the drive for \$15,000,000 to complete the Cathedral of St. John the Divine and asked permission to send out a letter to each graduate urging their support. The nurses having been honored by the plan to have a Nurses' Memorial window, it seemed the natural result that the nursing profession should leave no stone unturned to raise the \$12,000 needed to insure this wonderful memorial to all nurses in the first structure of its kind in this country. Checks should be payable to E. R. Sheldon, Treasurer, and sent to Miss I. H. Sutcliffe, 317 West 45th Street.

A motion to carry delinquent member for another month was carried.

A committee was authorized to look into the matter of increasing the Pension Fund.

The program and social hour brought an interesting talk by Miss Legros on the work in Bulgaria by the Red Cross. This was followed by refreshments.

MARCH MEETING

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by the President, with a goodly number present, this being the meeting at which the graduating class is always welcomed.

After usual reports had been submitted and approved, unfinished business brought a splendid report from Miss Sutcliffe on the Drive for the Cathedral, which is to be found on another page.

Miss C. B. Hay stated that she had \$95.00 in donations towards the Nurses' House at Babylon, L. I.

Miss Jouffret reported on her findings regarding other Pension Funds principally the Presbyterian Hospital and the Mount Sinai, which seem to be the largest funds of their kind in actual operation. Mrs. Acryigg reported \$14,493.24 in the Fund at present. Miss Jouffret suggested that a committee on ways and means be appointed by the Chair to formulate plans for a drive six or seven months hence to bring the amount up to \$100,000 which is considered a working balance. This suggestion was placed as a motion and carried.

Letters of resignation were read from Mrs. Kathleen Woods, Mrs. W. H. Livingston and Mrs. Jean C. Gildert and accepted with regret. (Marriage may have its place in the life of a graduate, but should not interfere with one's affiliation with their Alma Mater.)

A letter addressed to the Board of Directors relative to the management of the Registry was reported by the Chairman of the Board as being under advisement, and on motion of Miss Mary Smith seconded and carried the discussion was postponed until the next meeting.

The following nurses had life membership conferred upon them on motion of Miss Sutcliffe: Mrs. E. J. Davenport, 1880; Miss S. A. Hubbard, 1884; Miss H. E. Whitehead, 1885.

The graduating class was then received and welcomed into the association and an interesting program consisting of moving pictures of the A. I. C. P. work among the poor of the city supplemented by an informal talk by Miss Dines, Chief Nurse of the A. I. C. P. brought the meeting to close.

Miss Jordan then introduced her charges to those who graduated many years ago as well as the recent ones and all enjoyed the refreshments served under the direction of Miss Neikerk.

NOTICES

The next Alumnae Meeting will be held at the Club on Thursday evening, April 9th, 8 o'clock.

May meeting, Thursday the 14th, 8 p. m.

June meeting, Thursday the 11th, 8 p. m.

Miss Florence M. Johnson, Chairman of the Program Committee promises us the following excellent speakers: Miss Nina Yale from China, Dr. Gwatheny and Mr. Paul Franklin.

Although many of our number are unable to give time to Alumnae work we hope they may attend these meetings, giving their

moral support by their presence and at the same time spend an enjoyable hour with other graduates.

New York County Registered Nurses' Association meets at 132 East 45th Str. on the first Tuesday of February, June, October and December. The annual meeting being held on the first Tuesday of March.

Delegates to the New York County Association ratified by the Alumnae are as follows, and each delegate is asked to consider this their official appointment and aim to attend the meetings.

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Miss Emma Benz

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Miss Anna L. Reutinger

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HOSPITAL SECTION

Under the Direction of

MISS JORDAN, MISS WALTON AND MISS IBBOTSON

One of the very interesting things that Miss Jordan instituted a few months ago is "a staff conference" held the first Monday in every month at 4:30 in her sitting room. There, over a "cozy cup of tea," we discuss the pros and cons of our work, in operating

rooms, wards, private building, admitting department and O. P. D. Sometimes when the work is heavy and things very trying, we each one feel that our lot is the hardest, but when we meet and hear what others are doing and bearing, I for one, come away feeling that my lot is almost an easy one. At the February meeting Miss Evans gave a most interesting talk on matabulism and we wish to express to her our great appreciation of her kindness.

Marecella Fay, 1923, who resigned her position in the Children's Ward a few months ago to go to Yale University School of Nursing, for a six months post graduate course in Pediatrics, was in to see us lately. She is delighted with her work and says she deeply regrets having nearly completed the course. They have observed and studied children from all standpoints, in the Hospital, the clinic, the home and the school of nursing. Miss Fay says it has been wonderful, meeting and working with the women who have made long ago dreams come true. This was especially true of Dean Goodrich with whom she dined the other evening, who is an inspiration to all, so charming, so human and so understanding. We can just understand how Miss Fay felt when the Dean started to talk of the dear old New York Hospital. She said "I just looked at her and wondered if any of us have thought of her as one who covered the same ground as we and yet, kept her eyes on the given goal."

Hazel Emmett '20 had a long letter from Elsie Davies, who is having a wonderful time visiting relatives and friends from one end of England to the other. She sends kindest regards to all of her friends in New York.

Selma Suharoff '13 spent ten days in Boston lately visiting at the home of her brother. While there she had a wonderful two days with Mrs. Achorn, (Rebecca Sullivan, '17) who has a little daughter, Alice, twenty months old.

Miss Jordan is "at home" the first Saturday afternoon of every month. It is a real pleasure to be able to run in and meet so many old friends, some of whom we have not seen for years.

The second Division suffered a severe personal loss in the resignation of Dr. Frederick W. Bancroft, who left to become chief surgeon at the Lincoln Hospital in the Bronx. Dr. Viotor succeeds Dr. Bancroft and Dr. Dineen follows Dr. Viotor. Two former House Surgeons have been appointed to the Attending Staff of the Second Surgical Division; Doctors McGowan and Garlock. Dr. Clay Murray has been appointed one of Dr. Bancroft's assistants.

Gladys Butcher, 1922, was in the hospital for a few days and then went up to Valeria Home for a little rest. While she was away her clinic was very ably carried on by Mrs. Gardiner, who has been doing volunteer work with her in the Luetic Clinic for the past three years. Words fail to express to Mrs. Gardiner our appreciation of her splendid work and great kindness in every way to every one. It is certainly wonderful for her and women of her type, who in spite of their many social duties gives so much time to help those who are less fortunately situated than themselves.

Catherine Webster, 1922, who has been in charge of Ward O for some time, has resigned and is now suture nurse, second division in the Operating Room. She is succeeded in Ward O by Ruby Butner, 1924.

Social Service Section

An elective course in Social Service for the student nurses was started on November 1, 1924.

The work consists of an introduction to Hospital Social Service through field work under supervision in the wards and clinics of the hospital; visits in the community; in the homes and through lectures; conferences and special courses of reading. Papers in the different branches of the work are required to be written, and these are studied weekly in conference with the Director of Social Service.

The course takes up convalescent and community relationships, including visits to convalescent homes, Children's Court, Board of Child Welfare, Randall's Island, Ellis Island, Sea View, Institute for Crippled Men, Charity Organization Society and various other visits. Several days are spent in field work with the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor.

The nurses also take follow-up work in the Tuberculosis Clinic, Asthma Clinic, Syphilis Clinic and the Children's Clinic of the Out Patient Department of the New York Hospital; and some forty or fifty lectures are attended.

A worker has been added to the Social Service Department staff for preventive work among children. They are using a room in the parish house of the Church of the Holy Communion, which has been kindly lent, owing to lack of space in the hospital.

Graduation Exercises

The evening of March 4th brought round once more the Graduation Exercises of the Training School, and most marked was the quiet dignity with which the Class of 1925 marched into the Administration Room, where their relatives and friends were assembled. What more appropriate setting could be found for such an occasion than this room, its walls hung with the portraits of the dignified presidents of our board, dating back to 1770, and over the the fireplace is inlaid the original charter of the Hospital, which was created under George the Third of England in 1771.

After the invocation, Dr. Nellis B. Foster, one of the attending physicians, delivered to the class a most encouraging and inspiring address. The President, Mr. Edward W. Sheldon, presented the diplomas and badges, and before handing Miss Alberta Wallace hers, Mr. Sheldon remarked upon the marvellous courage and presence of mind she displayed in practically saving the life of a junior nurse, who had accidentally set her clothing on fire in the lavatory of one of

the wards. Miss Wallace was the heroine of the evening, but she could not have received too much praise for the wonderful service she rendered.

After the benediction was pronounced the class adjourned to the Nurses' Residence, where they received their friends and a most enjoyable evening was spent in dancing. The usual bountiful buffet supper was served in the Nurses' Dining Room.

We hope in our next issue, under the caption of "Student's Section," to tell you something of the work that is being done by our affiliating nurses at Henry Street Settlement.

Personal News

Edla Malmgren, 1914, has charge of the Nose and Throat work in connection with the Asthma Clinic three days a week in the O. P. D. Her sister Hulda, 1914, has been in California all winter with a patient. We wish to thank her for the wonderful post cards and kind thoughts that we have received from her.

Sarah Moore, 1913, spent a few days at her home in Brookfield, Pa., recently.

It certainly is a pleasure to have Jean Dodd, 1918, back with us in the Hospital. She has charge of the 7th and 8th floors, P. P. B.

Lorna Vanderwerker, 1923, has resigned her position in the Operating Room here and has gone to take charge of the Operating Room in the Glens Falls Hospital.

Gladys Fraser, 1923, has resigned from Ward K and is going to do private nursing. Madeline O'Brien, 1924, is in charge of Ward H.

INDUSTRIAL SECTION

Under the Direction of MRS. MARGARET L. ROGERS

"THE NURSE AS A FACTOR IN THE CONSERVATION OF LABOR"

Before the advent of the "machine" when there was no "big business" and the employer or "boss" was in daily contact with his men, knew them and their needs most intimately, the industrial nurse or welfare worker was unknown.

With the introduction of machinery, the whole industrial world was revolutionized. The small shop became the large factory and the employer was gradually separated from his men until a great gap yawned between. All kinds of complications arose. Man power was plentiful, foremen had the power to "hire and fire." Industrial accidents were common occurrences and against such conditions the workman had no redress.

In remedying these conditions several organizations played a very important part. The Labor Unions, The Consumers' League, The Civic Federation, and the Charity Organization, all have been

instrumental in bringing about better conditions and in securing Legislation which brought about Workmen's Compensation, Factory Inspection, Child Labor Laws, the Eight Hour Day, Better Housing, etc.

In the early nineties an effort was made to bridge this gap that existed between employer and his employees. The Graduate Nurse appeared in both mercantile and industrial organizations and her usefulness depended very much upon the ability and personality of the individual worker. Her introduction to industry resulted in a new Department which was generally known as a Welfare Department. This department always had a small dispensary and in most instances a rest room. There was some visiting or follow up work done, but the work was entirely for the employee and did not concern itself with family problems. The expense of this department was in most instances borne by the employer, but, where "benefit association" existed, they frequently bore a part of the expense. This work, except in a very few concerns, never became constructive or attained the prominent place it was entitled to until the whole question of "Public Health," "Occupational Diseases" and "Accident Prevention" began to be emphasized by the Profession and the public.

There were many reasons for this, the most important one, I think, was that the nurse came under a sub-head,—an employment or industrial manager,—who did not understand and was not in sympathy with her work. She frequently worked under an inexperienced, physician who resented her having any initiative. The fact that she was a *nurse* was emphasized and consequently limited her to the health field.

The salaries paid were not commensurate with the dignity and responsibility of the position.

This was an entirely new departure and the employer had not fully awakened to its financial value to the firm. He was apt to look upon it as a philanthropy rather than as good business.

With the advent of the war, human energy and human powers became the most important part of the nation's economic resources and efficiency experts were employed to study the whole industrial field and take measures to reduce labor turnover, to prevent human wastage by conserving the employe's health and relieving his mind of the varied problems which arise in any busy life.

In later issues this subject will be continued and presented under the following heads:

The Development and Scope of Personnel.

Social Service in Industry.

Methods, Records and the Relationship of Industrial Nursing to the Community.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Miss Anne MacDougall, class 1923, recently doing private nursing in New York is returning to Public Health work in Flag Pond, Tennessee.

Miss Rose Green is again nursing at St. Augustine, Fla., where she and Miss Price made such a success last winter.

Mrs. Bruce M. Kilpatrick (C. E. Case) class 1906, has assumed a position at the Clearwater Hospital, Clearwater, Fla.

Mrs. Andrew Lutz, (Anna S. Keator) class 1906, and Mr. Lutz are at Palm Beach, Fla.

Our sympathy is extended to Miss Orpha Saunders, class 1920, who was called home on account of the death of her mother.

Mrs. Hunt (Louise Acton) has been nursing her sister Muriel Acton, ill with pneumonia, but who is recovering satisfactorially.

Miss Lillian Wilson will be at her home all winter on account of the illness of her mother.

Miss Marguerite Gelatt, class 1920, who was ill at the New York Hospital with bronchial pneumonia is recuperating nicely at her home in Scranton, Pa.

Miss Olsen is traveling in Europe with a patient.

Miss Bertha Sinnot is with a patient in Seabreeze, Fla., and Miss Nina Sinnot with the Joseph Parsons at Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. L. E. La Fetra, class —, gave a linen shower for Miss M. E. Bryson whose marriage to Mr. Bonnell of Montreal will take place early in April. Miss Bryson has been assistant to Miss Mary Smith, superintendent of the Babies' Hospital for many years and will be greatly missed by all her friends.

We are glad to report that Miss Ada M. Anderberg is recuperating from her serious illness and is with Mrs. Canfield, 122 East 61st Street.

Miss Elizabeth (Bess) Bowers spent a delightful two weeks at Palm Beach, Fla., where she was fortunate enough to meet our Miss Mosher, who is resting at this apparent "rendezvous for New York Hospital nurses."

By way of a different place to visit, we learn that Miss Theresa Carpenter has been on a trip to Cuba, returning recently.

To be envied? Miss Bush, class 1924, sailed on March 14th to join her brother at Lisbon, Spain, from where they will tour Italy, France and England, being away probably a year.

Two of our nurses are content to "see America first." Miss Isabelle Gordon and Miss Buchan have gone to California.

Miss Alice Linton is at the Club for an indefinite period.

Among the number who were fortunate enough to see their home folks at Christmas, are Miss Olive Van Secord, and the Misses Gouinlock, Wright and Miss Elizabeth Burroughs.

Miss Olive MacDougall spent Christmas and the several weeks following with her father and sister in Galt, Ont., returning the middle of February.

Miss Caroline Robinson, graduate of class 1908, who is now with the American Commission to Serbia presented the diplomas to the first class to graduate from the Belgrade Training School for Nursing.

Miss Marietta Wilsey has just returned from a visit of two weeks to Mt. Dora, Fla.

We would extend to the Misses Mary and Annie McAllister our sincere sympathy on the death of their father, which occurred while on a visit to his married daughter in Scotland.

A well earned rest is due Miss Ethel M. Jame, having been with a patient four months at the St. Lukes Hospital. (This is not meant as a reflection on that Hospital).

Miss Rose A. Mackie is at the Club for a few weeks vacation before going to Locust, N. J., for the summer.

Miss B. L. Lammiman, class 1909, came from Baltimore, where she is spending the winter, to attend the flower show.

The many friends of Miss Isabelle Galbraith of Brampton, Ont., are pleased to know that she will plan to spend the summer at Crystal Lake, N. Y.

Miss Irene Curley, 1916, who usually nurses in North Adams, Mass., has been on a long case at Cleveland, O.

Miss Mabel Starr, 1918, who has been on the staff duty at Hospital for Tuberculosis at Ray Brook, N. Y., is resigning and will do private nursing at Saranac Lake.

Miss Mary Cameron, 1914, has been called home to N. B. Canada owing to the illness of her mother.

Miss Marie Falconer, 1908, who has been on duty for some months in the St. Francis Hospital, San Francisco, is accepting a position at "The Plant Hospital," Clearwater, Fla., and would like to hear from her friends at that address.

Mrs. A. D. Reid, (nee Rose Thompson) 1899, is at Tarpon Inn, Useppa Island, Fla., for a few weeks.

Mrs. Mark Tapley (nee Beatrice Anderson) gave a tea at her home in New Rochelle, N. Y., on February 14th. Several Nurses from the Club were guests on this occasion.

The engagement of Miss Christine Harvey, class 1913, is announced and her marriage to Mr. John Parker will take place April 14th.

The club had a glimpse of Miss Katherine Macdiarmid on her way abroad with a friend.

Mrs. Murray (nee Miss Luella MacMillan) of Creemor, Ontario, Canada, is on a short visit to New York and although not at the Club expressed delight at seeing her former associates of New York Hospital.

Miss Frances Nelson, whose work in the day camp at the Vanderbilt Clinic is so well known, is spending the months of February and March in Hawaii.

Miss "Poll" Hatton has been wintering on the Riviera and bewails the lack of bridge players. Cheer up, and return via New York.

Dr. and Mrs. Webster of Toronto, (Emma Rose) 1904, have been in Florida for some time and expect to return by way of New York.

Mrs. Ernst (nee Miss E. Grobert) was the guest of Miss Irene H. Sutcliffe recently.

Miss Elizabeth S. Lewis is engaged in library work in North Conroy, N. H.

Mrs. Squires (nee Miss Josephine Hill) writes of a most attractive bungalow in Augusta, Ga., surrounded by blooming flowers and possessing a fire place. What more could one desire, with books so plentiful, and many good bridge players?

Miss Florence Taylor gave a "New York Hospital Tea" in Toronto to fifteen of the twenty-five graduates who live there, and regretted not having all the addresses so more could enjoy such reunions.

The Club has one gentleman roomer, Mr. D. Bird, who is a tenor without peer.

A few weeks ago Miss Margaret Samuel and a friend, Mrs. Kerry were guests at the Club and while here Miss Samuel gave a dinner party with Miss Irene H. Sutcliffe the guest of honor. Others were Miss M. H. Jordan, Mrs. Crossman and her sister.

Miss Florence Elizabeth Munn, 1921, was married to Mr. John Paul Stratford on February the 4th, 1925, at Los Angeles, Cal. Her address will be 237 South Bimini Place, Los Angeles, Cal.

Mrs. Richard Phillips (Hope Arnold) writes so happily of her pretty home in El Oro, Mexico. Outdoor recreation consists of tennis, golf and horseback riding in the mountains, while their social life among the English-speaking people of the Colony savors of bridge, dinner parties and dancing.

We would congratulate Miss Helena Stewart on her Master's Degree and her appointment as assistant in the Educational Clinic of the Institute of Child Welfare Research in Teacher's College, Columbia University.

FOREIGN SECTION

Three of our graduates in China are planning their trip home. Miss Tom and Miss Robinson expect to leave Peking in December as this will give them better weather, both in India and England where they expect to spend the month of May, 1926. Miss Holland's plans are indefinite, but it is presumed she will leave October next. Miss Colver, the last to go to China is on the staff of the Peking Union Medical College Hospital.

Miss Edith Weaver is doing private duty in Shanghai.

An interesting incident happened while the son of Admiral Feng, "the Christian General," was a patient in the Hospital. On account of war conditions, there was a shortage of coal. On learning this

Admiral Feng ordered a carload of coal delivered at once. It is not unusual for a titled patient to take his whole retinue, including the cook, to the hospital.

An amusing reply was elicited from a Chinese nurse when asked how she liked being assistant to the night superintendent. "I like it very much, but there is a great deal of running with the legs."

Miss Tom and Miss Robinson are returning to Peking at the end of their furlough. Miss Tom being admitting officer of the hospital and Miss Robinson assistant to the superintendent of nurses.

The following quotation from a letter to Miss Florence Johnson from Miss Grace Blackwell in Caucasus will interest many. "Our family grows smaller all the time. Pauline Jordan who has been out here four years, left the other day. She did remarkable work in organization, leaving as a monument to her service, a self-supporting blind school, a model village and a well organized industrial plant. During her stay here she mastered the Russian language and perfected her French. Miss Jordan (1914) is staying in Paris a few months following a visit to Egypt, after which she will "come home."

A delightful letter has been received from Miss Gladys Adams whose work has been with the Rockefeller Foundation for some time and who on seeking a resting place before proceeding to an assignment, found herself in Salzburg, "a delightful old world town on the Tyrolean border between Germany and Austria, where a few remnants of Austrian, Hungarian and German aristocracy had taken refuge." Following Miss Adams' vacation she will proceed to study methods of teaching and hospital practice at the great medical centre, Munich. Miss Adams states she has taken an apartment in Paris which would indicate she has transferred her affections from U. S. A. to Paris at least for a period of time.

Excerpts from letter from Mrs. George Waring (Elsie Jessup) now living in Lagos, British West Africa, where Mr. Waring is connected with the Nigerian Railways.

"The trip out was very interesting. We stopped at the Canary Islands; the port, Teneriff, reminded me of Sicily; the same ragged mountains and low flat highly colored houses.

"Our next stop was Sierre Leone, on the Gold Coast, and my first glimpse of Central West Africa.

"Then Lagos. We have a bugalow, two stories, all open to catch the breeze, and nothing except shutters to keep out the rain—not a glass window in the place.

"We have lovely trees—palm, banana and mango—and gorgeous tropical flowering shrubs. Away from the house are the cook house and servants' quarters.

"We have three 'boys'—a cook, a head steward (age 17) and an understeward, costing in all about \$30.00 a month.

"Everything is better than I expected—the place, the people, the weather, the house and the food, and we are very happy."

Recent letter states that they are looking forward to a visit from the Prince of Wales.

MISS GRACE PIERREPONT ROGERS.

CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

One hundred and eleven nurses have contributed to the Memorial Window which will have an important niche in the Cathedral. This was in response to the appeal sent out by our President.

While this is gratifying to report we do regret that comparatively few have contributed. It would seem that every nurse would deem it a privilege to co-operate in this wonderful undertaking. The amounts given need not be large. It is better that many give small amounts than a few larger sums. It is after all the spirit that counts rather than the amount given.

Several donations have been given in memory of a loved one, which seems very fitting and make the window very dear to all of us.

Certificates will be sent each donor although there may be delay due to amounts being sent in only when called for by the Committee.

The window will be six feet wide and sixteen feet high placed in the North Transept, which is the women's division, and cost approximately \$12,000.

A gold candle stick has been presented by one contributor in which a candle will burn day and night, and another has given a beautiful seat where one can sit and study or for meditation.

I feel when we see this beautiful window we shall be glad that we have been given the opportunity of helping and that our names and those in whose memory the gift has been donated, will be inscribed in the Golden Book of Remembrance.

All contributions are desired by the 1st of May, although the drive will continue for a year.

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IRENE H. SUTLIFFE.

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Persons wishing advice and information with reference to admissions may consult Miss Florence M. Johnson, New York County Chapter, American Red Cross, 598 Madison Avenue, Plaza 3300, or Miss Alta Elizabeth Dines, A. I. C. P., 105 East 22nd Street, Gramercy 7040.

EDITORIAL

The Editorship of the Alumnae News has been assumed with considerable trepidation in view of the fact that a fraternal issue, such as the "News" is successful only to the degree in which the interest of the members is secured and sustained. To do this one must depend to a great extent on news of personal interest, which after all, we each like to hear and which serve as a link, keeping graduates in touch with each other, not only socially but by way of giving information of the many phases of nursing work in which the New York Hospital Graduates are actively interested.

Realizing this, a "News Item Box" was placed in the office and an appeal made for contributions of interest and the result was most satisfactory, as up to the date of this writing much personal data has been "dropped," to which this issue will testify.

For any one person to think they could assume the responsibility of editing such a quarterly alone, would be presumption doomed to disaster, so everyone help.

On going to press the Editor would emphasize the whole-hearted co-operation received especially from those who have assumed the various "Sections," and also from the Misses L. Wood, Verna Smith, Irene H. Sutcliffe, M. Jouffret, H. Trimpi, S. Gowan, F. Johnson and C. Greene. With a division of labor and a diversified type of news provided, the issue should prove of much more interest to its readers, than would the product of one mind and not seem such a difficult piece of service to assume.

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On the occasion of an outside nurse having been sent on a call after one of our own could not be secured, she was scrutinized pretty closely by her patient and asked if she was a New York Hospital Graduate. On replying "No, but I have been sent by the New York Hospital Registry," the reply was—"Well, if you prove as satisfactory as the New York Hospital Nurses which I have always had, your services will be acceptable, as I have never had anyone from there who was not capable and a Lady."

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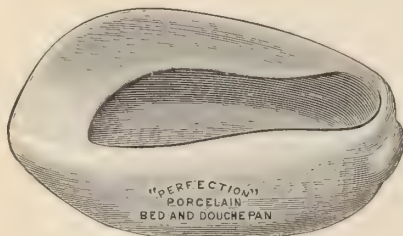
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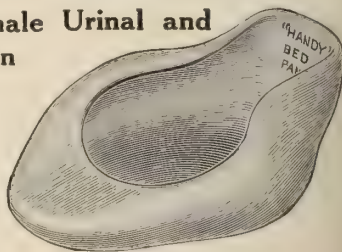
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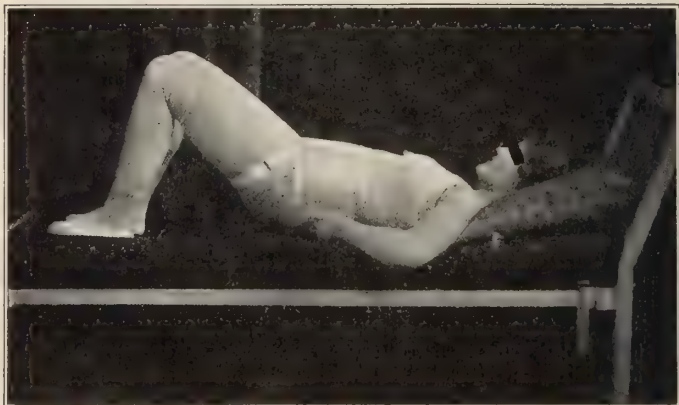
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SUMMARY OF ALUMNAE MEETINGS

APRIL, MAY AND JUNE

The usual reports of Alumnae, Club and various committees were read and accepted.

At the April meeting Miss Hitchcock presided and Miss Clara Green, Vice-President, at the May and June meetings.

At the April meeting Miss C. B. Hay reported that \$150 of the \$200 to be collected for the Nurses' House at Babylon, had been received. It was moved by Miss Reutinger and carried that we advance the balance, \$50, of our pledge from the treasury and complete the gift, any further donations to be used to refund this amount advanced.

Miss Cromwell was appointed a representative from our Alumnae to the meeting to be held at the Central Club for Nurses to discuss the question of shorter hours for nurses.

At the May meeting, Miss Cromwell reported that she attended the meeting called by the Nurses on the evening of April 30th and stated that due to the newspaper publicity, there was a very promiscuous attendance of nurses, not representing any particular school of nursing, so that only a general discussion took place. Dr. Downing spoke but was treated with little or no respect. The result of the meeting was the formation of a committee of representative women who were instructed to draw up suitable resolutions and arrange for a conference with the doctors, reporting later to their individual Alumnae Associations.

At the June meeting Miss Cromwell stated that their committee had met with the doctors, only three of them being interested enough to attend. Dr. Goldwater, Superintendent of Mount Sinai Hospital was most sympathetic with the nurses in their desire to shorten hours, the majority of the committee being in favor of an eight-hour day. Their findings are to be forwarded to the State Nurses' Organization and as the N. Y. County Organization, acting under instructions of that body, is to send out a questionnaire to all nurses in District 13 in order to secure the needed data before the next State meeting when it is expected to have a Round Table discussion of the whole situation, it is hoped for some real action.

Miss Irene Sutcliffe reports that we have now \$1,050 towards the Memorial Window at St. John the Divine Cathedral, and expresses hope that we will make it \$1,200. The N. Y. H. Alumnae Association is still leading in donations.

The following young graduates were welcomed into the Association at the May meeting:

Mrs. Grace Clayton Isom	Miss Louise K. Weber
Miss Helene Olive Morgan	Miss Dorothy R. Hayward
Miss Elizabeth J. Colgan	Miss Kathleen L. Colby

At June meeting:

Miss Mary Louise Doring	Mrs. Charles E. Marks
Miss Camille Behiels	Miss Marta Pamela Catterlain
Miss Wilhemina Stevenson	Miss Elizabeth Marian Shannon
Miss Maisi Schuler	Miss Margaret Mary Rietman
Miss Mabel Jean Miller	Miss Ruth Telford Maxwell
Miss Berthe Nanent	Miss Annette Belle Kennedy
Miss Reney Blanche Jones	Miss Theodora G. Huntington
Miss Evelyn Louise Gildersleeve	

The following letter was read which portends at least one active member of the Class of 1925 whose loyalty to her Alma Mater may prove a leavening of the whole class IF that be needed.

To the Secretary:

"It is a pleasure to become a member of the Alumnae Association of the N. Y. H. Training School. I sent my dues to Miss Holland as you suggested and trust that the future may find the Class of 1925 worthy members of the Association."

(Signed) Dorothy Randolph Hayward.

Such a spirit is commendable and we welcome it heartily.

W A N T E D

Addresses of the following nurses to be sent to the Secretary:

Mrs. V. Ehrenzweig, Class 1910	Mrs. John W. Gould, 1916
Miss H. D. Collins, 1889	Mrs. Donald Matheson, 1911
Mrs. J. L. Spicer, 1882	

NOTICES

The next Alumnae Meeting will be held at the Club on Thursday evening, October 8th, 8 o'clock.

New York County Registered Nurses' Association meets at 132 East 45th Str. on the first Tuesday of February, June, October and December. The annual meeting being held on the first Tuesday of March.

Delegates to the New York County Association ratified by the Alumnae are as follows, and each delegate is asked to consider this their official appointment and aim to attend the meetings.

Miss Elizabeth Golding
 Miss Emma Benz
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HOSPITAL SECTION

Dr. Wm. Russell, Medical Director of Bloomingdale Hospital, concludes his splendid article in the April "General Bulletin" published by the New York Hospital Society by saying: "It is, then, a hopeful sign that the New York Hospital has added to its Out-Patient Department a Neuro-Psychiatric Clinic. This was started in April, 1924, and has been open regularly on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Though little effort has been made to attract patients, it is noteworthy that half of those who applied have been referred from other clinics in the department, and also that it has been necessary to refer many cases to other clinics for examination and treatment. The medical service of the Clinic has been furnished by the medical staff of Bloomingdale Hospital. The Clinic has recently been furnished with additional space, and a specially trained social worker; and it is hoped that its work and usefulness may be extended. In both hospital and out-patient work the advantages that could

be gained by further advances can be plainly seen, and few organizations are in a position to bring to bear on the mental and physical problems of illness such resources in both psychiatry and clinical medicine as are possessed by the Society of the New York Hospital."

Tbc. Prevention Class.

The Tbc. Prevention Class which is part of the Social Service Department, is being held in the Parish House of the Church of the Holy Communion owing to lack of space at the Hospital. Very good work is being done with the children of the dispensary who are undernourished and predisposed to Tbc.

The aim of this class is to keep the children well by teaching them the rudiments of health in an interesting manner, and getting them interested in taking particular care of their own bodies. This is done by means of entertainment and classes in which competitive games are played; the child with the highest marks getting so many credits, and they are graduated at the end of the season.

These children are examined periodically by Dr. J. C. Roper, and Dr. William Mersereau in the dispensary.

Personal:

Dr. and Mrs. Paul A. Dineen (Isabel Maloy 1920) with their darling little son "Pete"—our hospital baby—left June 1st for Buck Hill Falls, Pa., where Mrs. Dineen and "Pete" will spend the summer, the Doctor returning at the end of his vacation.

Mrs. Wm. I. Walter, St. Regis Hotel, has presented the Training School with a most wonderful radio. It is a source of great joy, not only to the pupil nurses, but also to the "Special Nurses" who are on duty down here. We all wish to express to Mr. and Mrs. Walter our keen appreciation, not only of their splendid gift but of the kind thoughtfulness which prompted it.

Mrs. Dorothy Beals, nee Mulligan, has joined the Social Service Staff and is doing the Surgical Follow-up Work.

Rubie Riddell '04, night supervisor, has resigned and Anna Shalling '24 has succeeded her.

Emma Morse '06, who has been in charge of the Social Service Department at Gouveneur Hospital for the past 14 years, has resigned, and is going to her home in Toronto for a rest. She will be greatly missed in the work and by her many friends and patients.

We hear that Elsie Davies has been off on a trip to Paris.

Hazel Emmeth '20 spent a day recently with her classmate, Mrs. R. O. Bouton (Marjorie Clark), who is living in Elizabeth, N. J.

Maud Lund '17 is on her vacation at present.

Nellie Rough has just returned from a trip to Montreal where she spent her vacation.

Mrs. Isom '25 substituted May and June in the P. P. B. for

vacations and from July 1st will do the same in the Social Service Department.

It is with deep regret that we speak of Edith Jones' '20 resignation. She has had charge of Ward M since she graduated, and she will be very much missed by all. Grace Henderson '24 has relieved in Ward M for the past two months, but will be leaving us soon.

Helen Morgan '25 has taken Ward K, Louise Webber '25 H and Elizabeth Colgan '25 the Relief Work in the P. P. B. and O. P. D.

We certainly are sorry to say good-bye to Jean Dodd '18. She is leaving to return to her home in Canada. Before going she went out for a little visit with Mrs. M. E. Marsland (Alice Lyster) one of her classmates who lives in Mamaroneck, N. Y.

Florence Binns, who has been in Newmarket, Canada, for some time, is back at "Campbell Cottages", White Plains, where she will be for three months substituting for vacations.

We had such a nice visit from Gertrude Smaill '11 and R. L. Deacon '11. While Miss Smaill was in the city she had a wonderful time with all of her old friends.

Mrs. Hoffman (Annie Bouck '85) has been in New York for several weeks. While here, Mrs. Nicholson (Mary Adams) her classmate, gave a charming luncheon for her. Hindela Whitehead, of the same class, was one of the guests.

Marcella Fay '23 having completed her Post Graduate course in Pediatrics at Yale University, has returned to New York. She was very sorry when her work was completed there as she found it most interesting. She has taken up work with the East Harlem Nursing and Health Demonstration on East 116th Street. This organization was started as an experiment about two and a half years ago to work out the problem of general nursing versus special nursing. The district is divided, the south end being generalized in one house, carrying the entire family unit. The north end is the specialized area. A nurse is assigned to each group, anti partum, post partum, infant welfare and pre-school. Miss Fay is doing the pre-school work and it is very interesting. Her work is with Italian people and she finds that they take very quickly to our methods.

Mrs. S. Brown (Blanche Gibson) 1900 was in the city several days on her way from Cleveland, Ohio (where she has been living for some year) to her new home in Miami, Florida. It was a real joy to see her; she looked perfectly splendid and left best wishes for all of her old friends. Mr. and Mrs. Brown motored all the way so thoroughly enjoyed the trip.

INDUSTRIAL SECTION

(Second Article)

Personnel Work.

Personnel Work received its greatest impetus during the war period when the Industrial World was in a more or less

chaotic state owing to the large numbers of young men that were taken out of industry to enter the World War; the lack of foreign recruits on account of emigration restriction and the need for increased production. Indeed, the need for industrial products was so urgent that anything that gave promise of increased efficiency was eagerly seized upon by management.

The Personnel Manager is concerned with the employment and working ability of the employee and is only concerned with health, relief, recreation, etc., in so far as these problems affect the man as a producer.

Banks, insurance companies, department stores and factories each have their special dominant needs, and the duties of the Personnel Executive vary according to the type of business with which she is associated, but the same fundamental principles underlie all. There are the same human needs and desires to be met in each; the underlying principle is the same.

Study is essential. Study of the individual with relation to his job; study of groups of individuals and their relation to the job and study of the inter-relation of the group and the job, to the whole industry; out of this study to evolve plans and policies whereby the employee is enabled to render to industry and the community the best possible service at the minimum cost of effort.

To establish a Personnel Department we must have a centralized employment department where all interviewing, recruiting, engaging and discharging is done; where very careful records are kept and comparative studies of labor turnover can be made.

The employment and dismissal of labor has been so long in the hands of superintendents and foremen that it requires a good deal of tact and finesse on the part of the Personnel Worker to assume full authority in this respect and still retain the sincere confidence and cooperation of foremen which is essential to success in her job.

Having the Personnel officer is a distinct gain to the employee. It gives an opportunity for explanation and adjustment. It is also an economic aid to the employer as labor turnover is one of the most serious and expensive troubles in this country that industry has to combat. It has been estimated by industrial statisticians that the average cost of labor turnover is \$50 per man to employer. The much greater cost to the employee of the possible resultant unemployment, loss of income to his family, anxiety, discouragement and embitterment cannot so easily be estimated.

In well established Personnel Departments a great deal of attention is given to job analysis and working out set standards of production in order to determine what constitutes a fair day's work and a fair day's pay.

Then, too, it concerns itself with introducing the new worker to his foreman, his fellow-worker and to his job. Helping him to adjust himself to his work and his environment. There is

also the training of the young workers who are coming into industry for the first time. This is a very important part of the work and unless plans are worked out for their promotion whereby they may be stimulated to remain they are a total loss to the industry. In the department stores and banks a very great deal of educational work is carried on at the present time and this also is the responsibility of the Personnel Department.

This branch of work is only in its infancy and has made wonderful progress, due I think, largely to the very high type of woman who has taken up this work. That her scope and authority will increase until she is a recognized factor in industry is a foregone conclusion.

Margaret L. Rogers,
Director of Social Service, Kohler Industries.

FOREIGN SECTION

Message from Haiti.

This is the only Training School for Nurses in Haiti, so our graduates have all the care of the population, both black and white, and taking all things into consideration, they do very well. The people are gradually becoming educated as to the purpose which brought us here and our latest probationer is a lovely girl whose parents forbade her entering three years ago, but say they have learned that the school has such a fine reputation now that they were glad to have her enter.

We had our graduation last month, and I wish you could have been here, as being in the Tropics, with such a beautiful setting, it is a little different from the usual ceremony. Of course it was all out of doors. The balcony of the Nurses' home was decorated with the Haitian, American and School colors, and the home itself was a bower of flowers, many lovely baskets of roses having been sent to the graduates. The speakers and special guests had places on the balcony, while seats were placed on the lawn for the other guests, Sisters, pupils, etc. While the Palace band played a military march, the pupil nurses led the little procession, followed by the American Red Cross Nurses and together they formed an aisle for the members of the graduating class who took their places in the first row of seats on the lawn. I have to be master of ceremonies in place of the Sanitary Engineer, on these occasions, on account of it having to be done in French, so I also read his address for him. The Secretary of the Interior made an address and delivered the diplomas for the President who was ill and could not be present. After they received their pins another address was given and the remainder of the evening was spent dancing.

I am leaving Haiti at the end of May, and certainly am very sorry to give up the work which I have thoroughly enjoyed, and found such splendid experience. You know I came for a year only, but even my narrow escape from death from bacillary dysentery did not discourage me, as there seems to me to be

so much to interest one here, so I have stayed on, and will have been here nearly three years, when I leave. Would stay indefinitely if I could stand the heat of the long summer. I dread saying good-bye to everyone here, and wish I could just wish myself in New York and skip the leave taking.

I enjoyed your little news items about the various N. Y. H. friends and am looking forward to my usual visit to the hospital. I generally make a bee line for 6 West 16th Street, and feel as if I had reached home.

Marion Stanley Doane.

A Message from South Africa

My dear Miss Fenimore:—

Your letter of May 10, 1924, reached me in due time as well as the copies of *Alumnae News* you sent me. They were all very much appreciated. The letter should have been answered long ago, but my time is so very full that my correspondence naturally must suffer.

Now your request for something interesting to print in the *Alumnae News* depends upon what you think is interesting. To my mind this is very interesting work, largely because it is so much needed. In fact I am very busy and very much devoted to my work. Partly because it is somewhat primitive here, one must work out one's own ways and means to do things. Though this country has made rapid strides upward in the past several years, there is still a great deal to be accomplished before modern things can be advanced, especially in the interior sections.

When I first came out I was placed at our Hospital at Piggs Peak which is a village builded where an old gold mine was in activity some five years before. Remaining there one year, my work was the usual hospital work, under the Mission Doctor. Even there we had to work out many of our own ideas in order to accomplish the work done.

Then I was sent here, where a Mission Station had been planted the previous year, to do what I could in opening a Medical branch of the work. It was hard to give my consent, but finally came with fear and trembling, riding nearly ninety miles on horseback, with two others, to reach the place. All I had to work with for ten long weeks was strapped on the back of my saddle, and I lived with the minister and his wife.

One of South Africa's chief difficulties is the slowness with which everything moves and this makes transportation much slower than the American is accustomed to. However, I began work immediately and was soon as busy as I could be, visiting both white and black patients something after the order of a district nurse and extracting teeth under trees, on verandas; and doing first aid work where-ever needed. This is a great hunting country, therefore many accidents and much fighting among the natives, among themselves while drunk.

We have 150 white people here made up of Government officials and their families, ex-soldiers from the World War, British farmers and Dutch settlers, as well as several thousand

native people, all of them largely dependent upon me in times of illness, because we are 75 to 80 miles from any doctor, and these people are scattered over an area of 15 miles and more of the village called Stegi.

There are many mountains in Swaziland and we are on top of a chain called the Ubombo Mountains, overlooking a great stretch of lowland like a prairie called the Bushveld. There the fever rages about half of each year. I go down frequently, for I ride a good horse everywhere now. They have made me the Government nurse now, but of that and my cases; my house and new Dispensary I must tell you another time. You may print this if you like and I'll write more again if you wish it. Wishing you all a good year of success, I am sincerely,

Myrtle A. Pelley, (Class 1917)

Miss Gladys Adams writes that Miss Alice Linton is with them for a time and when not in that Bureau, will be on the Staff at the Paris office of the Rockefeller Foundation. At the time of writing, Miss Adams stated that Miss Gunn and Miss Russell of Toronto were their guests, being on an observation tour in Central Europe with Miss Crowell, special representative of Student Nursing Education in Europe. Miss Annie W. Goodrich and Miss Clayton are visiting the Paris Office of the R. F. and Miss Adams is delegated to be their "beau."

PERSONAL ITEMS

Miss Ada Anderberg is summering at Peekskill, N. Y.

Miss Mary Fraser is spending six months abroad, chiefly in Italy, Switzerland and France.

Miss Eileen Daly will travel in European countries with friends.

Mrs. J. B. Reily (Lilian McBeth) writes from her home "Rainbow Camp", Coaldale, Col. that they have such wonderful views of the mountains, though nine miles away from them. On clear days and moonlight nights the snow caps appear to be only a mile away. It is twenty-three miles to the nearest Town, Salida, but the wonderful climate and outdoor life is every inducement to remain there in spite of the isolation.

On Miss Mosher's return from Florida, where she was unfortunate enough to lose most of her belongings, many of her friends made it their joy to try and cheer her up a bit. She and a number of her classmates were the guests of Mrs. Doctor Hills at supper. Miss Mosher is now connected with a Real Estate Co., learning all the tricks of that trade in view of her return to Florida later "to get even".

Mrs. Torelli gave a Tea to a number of her classmates and friends, April 26th, at her quaint home overlooking the East River.

Miss Agnes O'Geran is in Spring Lake, N. J. with a patient for the summer months.

Miss Elizabeth Long has gone to Lancaster, Pa. for the summer.

Miss Fanny Buchan, is the guest of a former patient for the summer at New Bedford, Mass.

The "Call of the South" has taken Miss E. Golding for her vacation at home. She went to a hot climate, BUT she left a hotter one.

A very enjoyable trip was taken by Mrs. Hills and her sister Miss Joulfret with Mrs. Hills' two sons. They went sight-seeing through Washington, D. C. and had the honor of shaking hands with the President after which they met Major Julia Stimson, having a few minutes chat with her. Later they visited Arlington Cemetery, placing flowers on the graves of our Miss Amy Holmes and Jane A. Delano.

The first of May saw a Cadillac and its occupants, Miss Patti W. Foster and Orpha Durland leaving New York for a Gypsy-like trip, picknicking on the way to Derby, Vt., where Miss Foster has a summer home near the Canadian border. Bootlegging is frowned upon, but the Misses Foster and Durland will be very happy to see any of their friends who may be in the vicinity.

Among the many nurses who are contemplating going abroad for a vacation are, Miss Florence Mack, Miss Nellie McCrae, Miss Eleanor Hildick, and Miss Isabelle Gordon.

Miss Mary Fraser will visit Italy, Switzerland and France.

Our sympathy goes out to Miss Olive Secord, who was called home on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Mrs. Laura Marquis, will motor from Boston to her home in St. John, N. B., where she will spend three month.

Miss Mable Neikerk, has joined the staff of St. George's Clinic for the summer months.

On May 30th, at the Engineers' Club, Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers addressed the Manufacturers' Association on "The Conservation of Health in Industry."

Miss Eva Pennington, Mount Fairview, Dundas, Ontario, tarried a few days in New York on her way home from Atlantic City, where she had been spending two weeks.

Miss Hudlah Loomis is vacationing at her summer home in upper N. Y. State.

Miss Netta Silva, will be at Long Branch, N. J. for two weeks, and Miss Minnie Taylor at Camp Andree, Briarcliff Manor for the summer.

The "Heavenly Twins," Miss Frances Bell and Miss Nellie Grey Wilson, are or have been at Crystal Lake seeking inspiration.

Miss Alice Richardson, will be at Glenridge, N. J., for an indefinite period of time.

Miss Irene Sutcliffe, spent a week at Atlantic City with her nieces, since when she has been enjoying Miss Reutinger's Cottage at Ocean Point, Maine, having her sister Mrs. Benedict and the latter's grandchild to keep them company and incidentally busy. All Miss Sutcliffe's many friends hope she will come back with renewed vigor and rested from her labors of last year.

Miss Amy Winants, after a week's rest at a near-by Beach, will assume her new duties as Admitting Nurse at the New York Hospital. Much happiness in the new venture.

Mrs. Erik Achorn (Miss Rebecca Sullivan) and her little daughter were the guests of Mrs. Grace P. Rogers for a few days, during which time the Club rang with the baby voice which was most unusual, but none the less charming.

Miss Amy Paget, Anaesthetist at the Woman's Hospital, has been vacationing at her home in Toronto.

We understand Miss Pauline Jordan is back in the U. S. A. from her wonderful experience in the Near East Relief work, and we hope to see her at the Club in June.

Miss Ida Root, spent a few days at the Club on her return from Virginia, where she has been during the past winter.

Miss Mary Allen is with her brother in Pelham Manor, N. Y.

We are glad to learn that Miss Lillian Wald, one of our outstanding graduates, who has been ill, is now convalescing at her country home.

Miss Ada B. Stewart, (the first Secretary of our Alumnae

Association by the way,) after spending the winter at the Club, has gone to her home in Bath, N. Y.

Miss Bessie M. Sutcliffe, will be at the Fordham Home for incurables after July 5th, and will be glad to see her friends.

Miss Lindgren will soon follow Miss Denike who is now at Ocean Point, Maine. There seems to be a happy group of N. Y. H. Alumnae at this delightful spot. Miss Irene Sutcliffe being there with her sister, Mrs. Benedict, and the latter's granddaughter. Miss Sutcliffe writes "they sit on the rocks in the sun during the day and before a grate fire in the evenings" and wish that they could share their joy with others who have been sweltering at the Club and elsewhere in New York.

Miss Margaret Samuel, who spent a few days at the Club, where she has many friends, is now in London, where her sister "our Miss Samuel" will join her on her return from the Nurses' Convention in Finland.

Miss Edna Williams, Columbia University, is spending May and June at Santa Barbara with friends, and Miss Etta Weldon also of Columbia University left early in June to spend the summer with her family in Lindsay, Ontario, Canada.

Mrs. Thomas Patten, Jr. (Dorothy Jones), is with her parents at 3327 Highland Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

A delightful reunion was arranged by Miss Sutcliffe, when The Tochio Momosakis were in Town last month (May), Mrs. Momosaki (Miss Naruse, Class 1900), paid the Club several visits, having with her, her daughter and being joined by her son who is a student at Trenton, N. J. Miss Sutcliffe gave a Tea on Tuesday, assisted by her Sister Mrs. Benedict and Miss Finney "pouring," (Tea).

It is with deepest sympathy, we note the serious and very sudden illness of Miss Lillian Muirheid's brother, to whose bedside she was called and where she has since assumed the entire responsibility. Latest reports show a slight improvement, which all her friends hope will prove continuous and result in complete recovery. Miss Muirheid is very much missed at the Club, especially when some fairy god-mother showers beautiful flowers on doorsteps. However, this morning found Miss Kramer filling these artistic duties most acceptably.

From Brantford, we hear from Miss Velma Shultis, who is home for the summer, that her sister Miss Sarah Alda Shultis, Class 1921, was married to Mr. Maurice Edwin Foster. It was a pretty afternoon wedding at her parents home, the bride entering the Church along an aisle formed by ribbons attached to flower decked wands carried by the nieces of the Bride. The

bride was gowned in Kitten's Ear Crepe and Miss Velma as maid of honor in French Blue, beaded in Silver and American Beauty.

Another to forsake her single blessedness recently, was Miss Christine Harvey, Class 1913, who on April 11th, married Mr. John Parker of Pittsfield, Mass. After her marriage was a delightful reception at the Club prior to a motor trip planned through the South.

Miss Alice Morgan, Class 1920, who was assistant to Miss Miller last, year has joined the home-making group, having married Dr. Rufus Durfee and will live in Irvington, N. J.

Miss Margearet Munn, has been in charge of the Home for Crippled Children at Southampton, L. I., and left in June to carry on that interesting work. She will have as her assistant this summer, Miss Orr.

Miss Elizabeth Price, is with her sister in New Haven, Conn.

Miss Maud Ferguson, has left her work in Tenn. and after spending a few days at the Club, went to Maine to visit her sister. From there she will sail for Italy, having planned to take a course in Roman Antiquity at the University of Rome. This course is under the direction of a Canadian professor.

Miss Nina G. Sinnot, spent a short time at the Club before opening her cottage at Cape Cod. All her friends envy her the prospect of a very enjoyable summer. Miss Helena Stewart will be her guest for the month of June.

Many Canadians have already gone for their well earned rest, others following later. Among these we find,

Miss Maude Roewell, spending three months in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland; Miss Agatha Stewart at Digby, N. S.; Miss Margaret Kinney and Bethel Bane at Yarmouth, N. S.; Miss Orpha Saunders, at Yarmouth, N. S. and Miss Olive MacDougal, leaves June 17th for Galt, Canada.

Miss Macdiarmid returned from her trip to Europe on June 15th.

Miss Grace Peterson and Miss Edith Garrett, with the latter's sister sailed on the S. S. President Wilson for Trieste. They will be sixteen days enroute, as the boat touches at several Mediterranean Ports, including Patras, Greece, before proceeding along the Dalmatian coast to it's destination. Afterwards they will visit various points of interest in northern Italy and then go to Switzerland, where they will spend several weeks.

Dr. Florence Leigh Jones, Class 1882, and her sister Miss Leila V. Jones, (1885), are both members of Andrew Freedman Home on the Grand Concourse, 166th St., Bronx, where they will welcome visits from any Graduate of the N. Y. H. and gladly show them about that luxurious residence. This Home is said to be the finest of it's kind in the world.

Miss Florence Creighton and Miss Anne Reutinger, spent a week or more at Atlantic City, consoling with each other in their attempt to shake colds. Results reported as successful.

Miss Doris Slack, writes she is enjoying her sojourn in Europe exceedingly and expects to assume the Directorship of a Children's Hospital in France in October.

Miss Verna Smith, is enjoying a fortnight with Mrs. Lathrop Brown, St. James, L. I. from where she will proceed to her home in Toronto.

Mrs. Howard Rolston (Lulu B. Ryan), is so happy in her Public Health work in Los Angeles. The days are filled with many calls, which are mostly among Mexicans and Italians. Mrs. Rolston feels there is no comparison as far as real interest is concerned between private nursing and that which she is now enjoying.

It is reported that the Superintendent of the Buffalo General Hospital made the statement that that institution was at least partial to N. Y. H. Graduates, citing that at various times they had on their staff, Miss Eleen Denike, Miss Gibson, Miss Minnie Hunter, and now we find as Superintendent of Nurses, Miss Eva Dunne of the Class of 1913, with Miss Leona Johnston as her assistant, who wrote that they are most happily situated and enjoying their association tremendously.

Miss Dunne is to be sent by her Hospital as delegate to the international meeting of nurses, to be held at Helsingfors, Finland in July.

The Club had a visit from Miss Irene Curley, Class 1916, who seemed in the best of health and would be in New York for a few days.

Dr. Annie R. Young, whom many recall as assistant to Miss Goodrich at the Hospital was a visitor at the Club during June, and returned to her home in Waltham, Mass. by way of the "Boston to New York" Bus line.

Miss M. Dolson, class 1894, is assisting Miss Miller for the summer months.

THE PRIVATE DUTY NURSE

HER HOURS—HER REMUNERATION

NURSE POINT OF VIEW

"Trained nurses want an eight-hour day. Some of them moreover, want the compensation for nursing increased to \$1 an hour. Their disposition to move toward these goals came to light a few days ago, at a meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Thirteenth District of the New York State Nurses' Association. Leading spirits in the profession regret the unexpected publicity given to the project for readjusting the nurse's position in community life. Yet they do not deny that the nurses have a grievance, and they say that their case is a strong one."

"In a day when eight hours is thought to be a sufficiently long time for a man to labor in the steel mills or for a bricklayer to lay bricks, or for a woman in a factory to operate a power machine, the nurse still hovers for twelve hours a day over a sickbed—and she does it seven days a week. The nurse referred to is the graduate registered nurse on private duty in the hospital or the home."

"The situation is an economic one," says Miss Marie Adelaide Nutting, Director of the Department of Nursing Education at Teachers College, whose long service as a nurse and as an organizer and teacher of nurses qualifies her to be their spokesman.

"Florence Nightingale, in the last century, brought the world to the realization that nursing was not a religious exercise; that it was an art and a work based on scientific knowledge."

There are 300,000 nurses in America, most of them women. Of this number 50 per cent. are trained registered nurses. About 11,000 of these are in public health nursing, the same number are in the hospitals, leaving more than 120,000 registered nurses for private duty.

A Twelve-hour Day

"The abnormal demands upon the private nurse make it difficult for her to live a normal life," said Miss Nutting, as she reviewed the day of the average nurse on private work in a hospital. "Her day is twelve hours long, beginning at 7 in the morning. As a rule she must be up at 5, for she may have far to travel to reach her destination.

"She is at her task all day, with barely time for luncheon, and when 7 o'clock in the evening comes she turns her face homeward. Assuming it takes her another two hours at the end of the day to reach her room, to have her dinner and to change her clothing, it is 9 o'clock. She has barely eight hours in which to sleep. This time for sleep she must take if she would be fresh to resume her responsibility of caring for the sick on the morrow.

"How long can she keep herself up to the task required of her at such a rate?" asked Miss Nutting. "She has no time for recreation. She is as much withdrawn from the world as if she were immured in the cloisters of a convent."

The strain of such concentrated work does not last forever, the outsider may comment. It must be taken into consideration that the woman in the case is self-supporting, that she must keep employed if she would live. Her salary at the present time is set at \$6 a day for twelve-hour duty and \$7 for twenty-four-hour duty. There are exceptions, some registration offices refusing to place nurses for less than \$8 a day, and even asking \$10, but this is not the rule. If a call comes to her she must accept it to safeguard against the period when there will be no demand. When she takes time to rest, her income stops.

Work Is Not Steady

Nursing is one of the most seasonal of all occupations. Demand, it is shown by statistics, is slack in the Summer, when people are out of town, and again in the Autumn, when they return hale and hearty after an outing. At such times the trained nurse waits long for a call from her registry.

Then comes the "busy season," when there is occupation for all. Not infrequently there are epidemics, when there are not enough hands to go around. "There is a shortage of nurses," is the cry. If the reserve forces were sufficiently large in number to cover the peak of employment, there would be dire distress in the profession when the tide of demand was at its ebb.

For these irregularities there is apparently no remedy. The nurse has no related occupation to which she may turn her attention when she is without a job. The lucky person may get vacation work at a hospital or fill in on an institutional staff, but such opportunities are not common.

As a rule the nurse must maintain a home to which she can go between cases, an address at which to receive mail. Nor does her burden of outlay stop there. The laundry bill which she incurs to maintain the crisp freshness expected of a nurse makes considerable inroads on her never large bank account.

Again, a woman going into any other profession looks forward to an increase in wages as time progresses. Not so the nurse. She leaves off where she began. A woman in business has a vacation with full pay. The nurse must pay for her vacation out of her own earnings.

The strain under which she works limits her professional life to about twenty years. She must have saved enough to care for herself or else at the age of 45 or 50 she must seek a new occupation.

It is not the well-being of the student nurse nor of the nurse who is a member of the hospital staff, but of the private-case nurse that is agitating medical circles here and throughout the country. It was hoped that relief might be brought to her through the attendant nurse.

In 1920 the Nurses' Practice Act was passed by New York State, which enabled a girl having a common school education to enter training school that would accept her, and, after a year's experience in the rudiments of nursing, to practice in the capacity of attendant. She would be qualified to care for chronic diseases, or those of minor gravity not needing the skilled hands and the trained mentality of a full-fledged nurse.

Skilled Woman's Time Wasted

The number of girls applying has not been sufficiently great to indicate the success of the experiment. More and more the attendant is being employed in hospitals to do work of a simpler kind.

Relief for the trained nurse may be found, Miss Nutting thinks, in releasing her from some of the non-nursing duties. The skilled woman's time is wasted. Things are expected of her which others might perform with equal efficiency, thus conserving her strength. The trained nurse's tasks range from the most highly technical care of the sick to the washing of linen or the serving of the family breakfast. Many of the simpler offices could be turned over to others.

This leads to a possible solution of the nurse's problem. It is thought that group nursing may be introduced into the hospitals. The highly skilled nurse may be enabled to devote her time and attentions to two or more patients, giving each the required number of hours' service. For this she could be remunerated in accordance with her professional ability and her day could easily be shortened. The serving of trays, the dusting of the room, and many other minor activities could be performed by attendants or maids. Nor would the nurse be obliged to sit in idleness when not actually needed by her patient.

For the patient in the home a system of hourly nursing could be devised, the plan being operated in a manner not unlike that of the visiting nurses' organizations. The nurse could give the skilled care ordered, by the physician, leaving instructions in minor ministrations to a member of the household. The time spent would be as long as needed, and she could return if the condition of her patient called for such attention.

There are occasions when the group nurse or the nurse by the hour would not be practical, as in case of contagious diseases, or of patients whose condition demanded constant nursing. Under such circumstances the old order would prevail.

Women who head the profession say that its ethics will in no way be affected by a shorter working day for nurses; that its members will always feel that their duty at the bedside of a patient needing them is sacred. They disclaim any attempt to unionize the calling. "No nurse will ever leave her job because the hour has struck which ends her day. It is a question of protecting her against the use and abuse of her health and strength," they assert.

"The situation in which the nurses find themselves is one they have created in their own helplessness, and one from which they can with difficulty extract themselves," says Miss Nutting. "Their efficiency and the high standards they have raised have created a demand for their services. They have contributed to medical and surgical advance and they have helped to make the hospitals the splendid institutions that they are. Nursing schools have grown by leaps and bounds.

"I do not believe that the trustees of our great hospitals, men of affairs and philanthropists, want for a minute to stand for the exploitation of young women. I feel confident that when they understand the problem of the nurse they will find a way to help solve it. The hospitals and the public are not so callous that they want women to work to a point beyond which they become no good. THE HOSPITALS WILL HAVE TO TAKE THE LEAD IN THE EXPECTED REFORMATION; THE STANDARDS THEY HAVE SET WILL SHAPE PUBLIC OPINION.

"Above all, it must be borne in mind that the sick are to be cared for, and well cared for. Private nursing must be strengthened into a mighty army of trained and skilled women, with ever higher standards, but it can only be done by conservatism."

Conferences Suggested

Miss Helen Young, director of the Training School at the Presbyterian Hospital, and City President of the League for Nursing Education, says that up to the present the group she heads has taken no stand. "THE MANY ISSUES THAT HAVE ARISEN SHOULD BE SETTLED IN CONFERENCE BETWEEN THE SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE HOSPITALS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NURSES. Only in this way will a fair adjustment to all concerned be reached. There must be no temporary placating of the grievances of any one group.

"I find no lack of a spirit to serve among the young women who are here for instruction. As a rule, we have to drive them away from their work."

Speaking from a national point of view, Miss Mary M. Roberts, editor of *The American Journal of Nursing*, who has made a survey of nursing conditions in forty States, says that the feeling for an eight-hour day is shared by nurses throughout the country.

Miss Roberts thinks, with many others in her calling, that "doctors whose work has been lightened to so great an extent by nurses have not sufficiently concerned themselves with the nurses' interests."

Foregoing are excerpts from an interview of the *N. Y. Times* and printed in their issue of Sunday, May 14th.

SPEAKING FOR THE NURSES

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Your chivalrous editorial "Throwing Bricks at Nurses" is highly encouraging to those who see beyond the immediate present. The current flood of scurrilous publicity aimed at the profession of nursing is in danger of inflicting a deeper hurt than that to the feelings of nurses.

New York hospitals are in need of a constant stream of student nurses to care for their patients. The community expresses a constant demand for the graduates of the schools for nurses connected with their hospitals to care for the sick and to extend its ever increasing health services.

What parent, reading and influenced by headlines calling nurses vulgarians, profiteers and worse, would willingly allow his ambitious young daughter to prepare for nursing?

Your paper, which has the welfare of the community at heart, does well to uphold a profession that, being human, has its faults, but that, in the main, is sincerely endeavoring to render true social service. We believe that demands made upon us by the public warrant us in our belief that what is needed is trained intelligence (the educated nurse), a label, authorized by the state, that will indicate to the public not that the registered nurse is a privileged person, but that she has certain minimum requirements desired to safeguard those who employ her.

(Signed)

AGNES G. DEANS,

Secretary, American Nurses' Association,

ANNE STEVENS,

Director, National Organization for Public Health Nursing.

EFFIE J. TAYLOR,

National Secretary, National League of Nursing Education.

New York, February 2, 1923.

POINT OF VIEW OF THE EMPLOYING PUBLIC

When I first heard or suggested that a nurse's hours should be shortened my response was "Of course they should! Who else works twelve hours a day, seven days a week and often many weeks on end!" But when I began to consider how it would work out for all concerned, doctor, nurse, patient and patient's household, to have nurses on duty eight hours or even ten instead of twelve, I soon found myself retreating from my first position.

In the average household, the twenty-four hour nurse comes as a boon—She is almost always an agreeable, comfortable person, eager to make as little trouble as possible, easily assimilated

into the family life, often quite interested in it, but when the doctor suggests a second nurse it is quite a different matter. Two twelve hour nurses, involving six extra meals, two personalities to deal with and a more detached attitude and business relation, constitute a burden for the manager of the household. Three eight hour nurses would be an awful strain—except in large houses with servants. In cases of less serious illness it might be possible to have only two nurses on eight or ten hour duty, letting the family take charge say from six to ten, or seven to nine morning and evening, but this presupposes someone in the family able to take charge at those hours and take charge intelligently; it means, even so, a divided authority, an increased opportunity for accident or mistake and four changes of personalty for the patient, who is so apt to fret even over the usual two. I rather think the reaction to such an arrangement in the patient and in the household would prove very unsatisfactory to a conscientious, responsible nurse. The nature of a nurse's work makes it impossible to put her on the basis of a seamstress or a secretary. She's dealing with unusual conditions, with emergencies—she's in the category with ministers and priests, doctors and mothers whose responsibility is never laid down, but!—she doesn't get their rewards—financial or spiritual. There should be some sort of readjustment, but I doubt that the reduction to an eight hour day would accomplish the real end. We ought to find some arrangement that would lessen not the *daily* strain, but the strain of a nurse's life as a whole, and make her returns and recompenses proportionate to her experience, her ability and her devotion to duty.

HELEN V. K. DEVENS.

DOCTOR HOWELL'S PERSONAL POINT OF VIEW OF THE PRIVATE NURSE SITUATION

I think it could be arranged to shorten the hours of special nurses on duty in the hospital to ten hours a day, after the patient has reached the early stages of convalescence.

As to increasing the allowance paid special nurses from \$6 to \$7 a day, I am not sure that this can be so easily arranged. In the first place the patients must be considered. Most of them are now paying all they can afford. If the rate is increased it seems probable that many patients who really need specials will go without. In the second place, I think such an increase would make it difficult and expensive for the hospital. It would be difficult to obtain graduate nurses for regular floor and ward work at the rates we now pay. With a probable decreased demand on the part of patients for special nurses we should have to employ a larger number of graduates. These salaried nurses, in the regular employ of the hospital, knowing that the specials were receiving \$7 a day would, in turn, demand an increase in spite of the fact that they are now fairly well paid, better than

other classes of hospital employees. If their demands for an increase are met the other employees of the hospital would probably follow their example and demand higher wages.

The hospital payroll has become very large in recent years. It is now \$335,000 a year. Since 1910 it has increased 153 per cent. During this time the work of the hospital has increased comparatively little. The rate paid to special nurses has been advanced during this period from \$3.50 to \$6 a day. Living costs are not greater than they were when the increase to \$6 was made.

In 1924, wages represent 51 per cent of the total expenses of our hospital whereas in 1917, before the war, wages represented 37 per cent of the total expenses.

I understand that at the present time there is a committee, composed of nurses, doctors and hospital representatives, studying this whole situation. Apparently the only thing to do is to wait until this report has been submitted before taking any action.

N. B. The foregoing statement is a personal one from Doctor Howells, Supt. of the N. Y. H. and must not be considered an official one from the Board of Governors.

PHYSICIAN'S POINT OF VIEW

A problem so complex as is that of the nursing situation demands more careful study than I have been able to devote to it.

On the one hand there is the patient's side of the question. The development of modern therapy has demonstrated the importance of skilled nursing to such a degree that physicians and surgeons are loath to care for a patient who is really ill without this help. To persons of moderate means the expense of employing nurses is a serious burden. Along with this there is the added cost of much laboratory work that also is unavoidable. So altogether an illness is becoming an appalling calamity.

From the nurses' point of view the situation is quite as discouraging. Her pay has increased much during the past decade but I doubt if it has grown as rapidly or as much as her expenses. It is questionable whether she has made an economic gain.

The nature of her work is such that she should be able to lay aside a fair fraction of her income every year. It seems particularly unfair that the nurse who has chosen one of the best schools for her training should be handicapped in her ability to earn. Yet this is largely the real state of the matter inasmuch as such a nurse registering with her hospital registry has her pay fixed by the rules of that organization. Those, however, who find patients through the commercial registries are urged to increase their charges to the utmost for the sake of the commissions that swell the registry receipts. This certainly

represents a real evil and in the proper solution of the nursing problem it will have to be considered.

The hours of work also demand attention. A twelve-hour day means with the time actually consumed in traveling between home and patient that absolutely no time nor indeed strength is left for recreation. It is bed time when the nurse gets home and she must rise early to resume her tasks. Obviously if a shorter day has been found necessary in other occupations it should be necessary here also. How can it be brought about without adding to the already overweighted expense of illness?

Just what scheme may be devised to meet all of these conditions is not at all clear to me. It may be that a development of part-time nursing will help in that the expense of the nursing may be divided among two or three patients. This, however, could scarcely apply to night duty.

Again a sharp distinction should be made between the R. N. and the partly trained nurse so that an employer should always know the nurse's exact status. Some non-graduates are very efficient nurses but we should not be deceived as to their training.

The most hopeful aspect of the problem is the agitation that is beginning to strike the attention of the public. A campaign of correspondence in the newspapers would be of great service. People seem to think that a nurse draws a full day's pay every day in the month and that her work consists of sitting in a big chair all day. It will need many letters to the papers to instruct the public in regard to the actual conditions of this profession.

—Wm. R. Williams, M. D.

PROBABLE LEGISLATION

The following Committee report is worth perusing incident to the discussion on "hours in private duty nursing":

To the President and Members, Erie County Medical Society:

After careful consideration of the various factors entering into the so called "nurse-situation" as it exists to-day in Erie County and throughout the State of New York as well, your committee desires to submit this report covering the following points:

1. What, if any, are the just grounds for criticism of the present status of the Registered nurse with relation to the Public and to the Physician?
2. What are the underlying causes of the unsatisfactory conditions that we find, not only evident but increasingly prevalent?
3. What definite remedies can we recommend to relieve the situation?

1. Grounds for Criticism

1. SCARCITY OF NURSES.

Evidence of the claim that there are insufficient nurses to supply the demands of the sick public is presented so

frequently both by the Physicians and laymen requiring nursing service as to thoroughly substantiate the claim in the minds of the Committee. This more or less constant shortage becomes acute during epidemics or seasonal diseases.

2. NURSING IN PRIVATE HOMES.

Testimony of Physicians and laymen is abundant evidence of the increasing unwillingness of a large number of Registered Nurses to accept calls to nurse in private homes.

3. THE TWELVE-HOUR SCHEDULE.

Your Committee realizes that there are valid arguments advanced on both sides of the question of limiting the nurse's time on duty to 12 hours. Without entering into a discussion of the merits of this question your committee is convinced that one result of this schedule is to work a great financial hardship on the sick public, the great majority of whom are unable to meet the expense involved.

Especially burdensome is this system on maternity patients. Your Committee believes that the great increase in expense for nursing in these cases tends to make it almost prohibitive for people of moderate means to accept parenthood, and so constitutes a serious menace to the birth rate among the very class in which a high birth rate is most desirable.

4. Your Committee finds evidence of an increasing tendency on the part of some Registered Nurses to exercise the functions of a Physician rather than a nurse in their relations with the patients. While we believe that this by no means holds as a criticism of any but a minority of nurses of today, we are impressed with the apparent growth of this attitude of mind on the part of many nurses.

A. UNDERLYING CAUSES OF CONDITIONS CRITICISED

1. An increasingly large number of nurses are being drawn into special lines of work other than bedside care of the sick—such as Industrial Dispensaries, public health nursing, institutional positions, etc.
2. Under the present system of training, emphasis is laid on the larger sphere of the professional woman. While your Committee would be the last to deprecate the expansion of any woman's sphere of usefulness, the practical fact remains that such aspirations on the part of nurses seem to result in a diminished enthusiasm for the performance of the real function of a nurse, viz, caring for the comfort of her patient and executing the orders of the Physician.
3. The expanding curriculum further serves to educate nurses beyond the point of practical usefulness in their actual work, engendering in many the desire to exercise the func-

tion of one who treats the patient rather than one who cares for the ailing. In other words such nurses are not content, on the one hand, to play true their roles of the physician's representative on the case, and, on the other hand many of them are misled into thinking that the general smattering of medical education, which they receive renders them competent to practice medicine rather than nursing.

4. The present high requirements as to preliminary education of a pupil nurse, viz, a high school course, together with a three year course of Hospital training, makes dissatisfaction with the financial returns on the investment of time and money necessary to secure training.
5. The preliminary high school course requirements serve to debar many young women of high character and ability such as formerly chose nursing as a calling from sheer love of the work. The number of applicants for training is thus limited, with the resultant scarcity of women in the nursing ranks.

B. SUGGESTED REMEDIES.

1. Your committee unhesitatingly recommends reducing the preliminary requirements of applicants for nurse training to grammar school education—placing emphasis more on character, ability and enthusiasm of the applicant for this special field of work.
2. We would modify the curriculum in training schools so as to require two years of practical bedside training, limiting didactic instruction to elements of anatomy, physiology, disease causation, modes of infection, practical asepsis, etc.
3. We advocate granting a diploma at the end of the second year graduating the pupil as a **QUALIFIED NURSE**, with the privilege of registering and using the degree of **R. Q. N.—Registered Qualified Nurse**.

The idea of creating the class of Qualified nurses is to clear the curriculum of useless advanced scientific specialties, to shorten the unnecessarily long period of training and to adjust the education to the necessities of medical and surgical Practice.

4. We would arrange the curriculum for a third year of training for those *who so elect*—consisting of more advanced work in these studies necessary to prepare them for public health nursing, institutional work and other activities than actual bedside care of the sick. At the end of the third year, according to this plan, a diploma might be granted as **R. M. N.—“REGISTERED MASTER NURSE.”**

To be eligible for this advance degree the applicant must have had a high school education. Her first two years of training would be the same as that of the applicant for a diploma of a Qualified nurse, but, her third year would be advanced technical, administrative or specialty courses, as candidate for the degree might elect.

5. As a concrete suggestion of how this general plan might be carried out your committee submits the following tentative curriculum, giving in one column the hours now required in the various subjects taught, and in the second column the suggested changes to be made.

(List omitted.)

Finally, your committee wishes to disclaim any idea of personal criticism of any or all Registered Nurses now practicing their noble profession. The criticisms herein contained are directed only at the present system of nurse-training for which ill-judged system no responsibility or blame can attach to those who have been trained under its administration.

The whole matter can be reduced to very simple terms. WHAT IS THE AIM OF NURSE TRAINING? Is it to train nurses, as the term applies—that is women whose first and chief mission is to care for the man, woman or child who is sick and in need of her care? Or is the aim to impart in a most superficial manner a quasi medical education which is utterly insufficient to qualify its recipient for medical practice but serves only to weary their brains with a mass of undigested medical facts?

Should not the nurse-training strive mainly to develop the pupil's powers of intelligent observation, to inculcate a sense of responsibility for the execution of the Physician's orders, and last, but not least, develop to the highest degree her skill in ministering to the sick.

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March 16, 1925.

REGISTRY NEWS

In view of the fact that the Board of Directors appointed a "Registry Committee," we feel constrained to make the report more or less individual and separate from reports of monthly meetings.

This committee is composed of Miss Lemkuhl, Miss Acton, Miss Emma Benz, Miss Goede and Miss M. Jouffret, Chairman.

Two meetings have been held, the members are considering ways and means of putting the Registry on a paying basis, as the returns from dues, as now charged, do not cover the cost of this department of the Alumnae activities. So, for the enlightenment of all concerned we present the approximate cost of running the Registry in connection with the Club:

Salary of Registrar	\$1,080.00
Room Rent, Registrar.....	335.00
Laundry, a year	78.00
Meals, a year	547.50
Substitute Registrar	90.00
Office Rental	300.00
Stationery	19.00
Phone Calls	240.00
Phone Extensions, two	12.00
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	\$2,702.50
Dues received one year	830.00
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Deficit	\$1,872.50

A COPY OF THE FOLLOWING RULES HAS BEEN MAILED
 TO ALL NURSES WHO USE THE REGISTRY.

The following recommendations submitted by the Registry Committee to the Board of Directors of the New York Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association were approved by the Board at the June meeting:—

1. That a record be kept of the nurses who refuse cases against which they have not registered.

2. That a nurse refusing a case against which she has not registered, shall be placed at the foot of the Registry. This rule to be observed after July 15 1925.

3. That a record be kept as nearly accurate as possible, showing the length of time the nurse remains on each case. This record to be used for statistical purposes.

4. That the Registrar report at the Alumnae Meetings the number of calls and the number of calls filled.

A—N. Y. H. Nurses

B—Outside Nurses.

1. Private Duty.

a. New York Hospital.

b. Other Hospitals.

c. Homes.

2. Hourly Nursing.

3. Positions.

5. That the Registrar secure a file for the names of the nurses using the Registry, these cards to show when registration dues are paid.

ANNE REUTINGER.

Secretary of the Board of Directors.

Our Registrar, Miss Lavina Woods, left on May 29th for a well-earned rest of three months with her sister and we hope she will return to us feeling vigorous and eager to cope with registry problems. During her absence Miss Marie Kramer is Acting Registrar, filling the duties acceptably.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

On the 105th Anniversary of Her Birth

"Today, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, will be observed as National Hospital Day, according to custom. The "Angel of the Crimea" is regarded as the founder of the profession of the trained nurse. At the time of her birth, 105 years ago, the sick were at the mercy of uninstructed; ministrants often had no interest in a case aside from the pay received. The "Lady With the Lamp," as Longfellow styled her, deserted the drawing room for the field hospitals, left fashionable society for the unorganized sanitary service of the British army, brought order out of chaos, saved lives innumerable, and at the sacrifice of her own health left suffering mankind in her debt forever. No wonder that the tribute of gratitude and admiration continues to be paid her, for the effect of her work is far-reaching, and after her service in Southern Russia she gave half a century of fruitful endeavor to hospital reform and sanitary administration in every civilized land, though her counsel and inspiration came from the sickroom."

MEMORIAL SERVICE

In memory of Miss Nightingale and the nurses who gave their lives during the World War, a most memorable gathering was held at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine when nurses from every training school in Greater New York with their superintendents, together with members of the Jane A. Delano Post, American Legion in military uniform, listened to most inspiring addresses by Bishop Manning and Dr. John Finley. Just to see this large group in the various uniforms of their respective schools, together with graduates of Teachers' College, Columbia University, in Cap and Gown, and not to forget, the Red Cross Nurses who are "always ready", was indeed an inspiring sight and made one feel more proud of their profession.

BY WAY OF SUPPLEMENTING A NURSES' INCOME AND YET HAVING A REST

A more or less new field for the nurses during the summer months is the Medical School Service work in camps throughout the country, where boys' and girls' organizations have their summer camps for recreation and rest and where the need for an experienced nurse is evident. There are also many large industries that maintain camps for their employees and their families who go for two weeks or longer. We are glad to note that Miss Therese Carpenter, Class 1920, is at Camp Bacon, Spring Lake, Me., acting as "Hostess" for three months, and Miss Etta Long is at Camp Boyville, Canaan, Col. Co., N. Y.

A NEW CLUB FOR NURSES

The need of suitable living accommodations for nurses has again been voiced by a new organization known as the New York Catholic Club for Nurses. The undertaking has been granted the approval of Cardinal Hayes, His Eminence having stipulated, however, that his approval was given on condition that the club remain non-sectarian in its membership, as he believed that nurses, as such, ought not to segregate along lines of religious faith.

In order that a club house—even a small one—may have a beginning, it is necessary that a drive for larger membership be made at once.

An annual fee of \$3 ensures membership, and all nurses who are interested in helping to build and sustain the club are urged to join and also to bring in new members NOW.

Enthusiasm ought to mean energy, and the active co-operation of interested nurses is urgently sought, as the responsibility and financial burden must not be laid upon the shoulders of a few.

Show your interest and your willingness to help by sending your subscription at once to Miss Mary Donegan, 132 East Forty-fifth Street, New York.

Miss J. Frances Cobban.

June 10th, 1925.

DEATHS

We would record the death of Miss Della M. Baker after a long illness of four years during which time she was never free from pain. Miss S. J. MacKenzie, thoughtfully was in constant communication with her during her illness and aided greatly in cheering the invalid during many weary hours.

Our sympathy is extended to:

Miss Elizabeth Powis on the death of her mother.

The Misses Doris and Annie Slack whose brother died in Jamaica, B. W. I.

Miss Nellie Gillett on the death of her sister.

Mrs. Hoskins and her sisters, the Misses Wood, on the death of their mother.

Mrs. Julius Culver (Margaret McKay) at the loss of her second baby girl, at birth.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to Mrs. Richard M. Sulzer (Miss Caroline Coddington) on the birth of a son, Richard Lee Sulzer, nine pounds, 10 ounces, on March 21. Also to:

Mrs. Mark Tapley (Beatrice Anderson) on the birth of a daughter, June 25th.

EDITORIAL

SUPPORT THE YOUNGER NURSES

Recently a dance was arranged under the direction of Miss Eva Bryan when the sum of \$63.00 was raised, which will be devoted to much needed furnishings for the Club. This group of younger nurses, while getting a little enjoyment after their day's duties are over, combine this natural desire with a real interest in helping to make their home, your club and mine, an attractive and comfortable place to live in. WHY are there not more of the older members sufficiently interested to at least give their moral support to all these gatherings. We may not care to dance, but we know people who do, and there are a great many nurses who enjoy a game of cards and could easily arrange to play in the library on such occasions and help swell the funds and encourage those who, before many years, will be carrying the whole responsibility of the Alumnae and Club.

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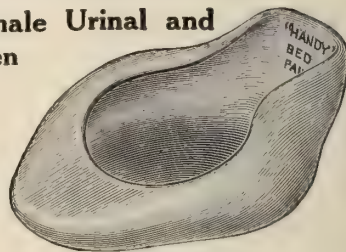
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NOTICES OF MEETINGS

Our Alumnae meetings will convene again on the evening of October 8th, at the Club at 8 P. M. As business of great importance will be discussed and our representatives to the State Meeting will be chosen it behoves all who can attend to do so.

N. Y. County meeting will come on Tuesday, Oct. 6th, at the Central Club for Nurses at 8 P. M. The private duty nurses should try and be present to learn of the action which the County is taking at the State Convention regarding the Private Duty Question, which will come up for discussion then. It will be recalled that a questionnaire was sent to a number of nurses through which it was hoped the needful data could be secured to render this discussion a fruitful one. Has everyone answered this questionnaire?

N. Y. State meeting will be held at Albany, N. Y. on October 27th, 28th and 29th.

Whom have the private duty nurses in mind to represent them at this meeting? Much depends on having the right representation. It is your problem and can only be solved by concerted action, carefully worked out in a dignified way in conjunction with the Superintendents of all large training schools and representative medical men who are really interested in this vital question.

Delegates to the New York County Association ratified by the Alumnae are as follows, and each delegate is asked to consider this their official appointment and aim to attend the meetings.

Miss Elizabeth Golding	Mrs. Grace P. Rogers
Miss Emma Benz	Miss Orpha Saunders
Miss Minnie Jordan	Miss Alda Shuttis
Miss Minnie H. Jordan	Miss Minnie Taylor
Miss Mary Holland	Miss Selma Suharoff
Miss Catherine B. Hay	Miss Helen Trimpi
Miss Bertha Lehmkuhl	Miss Kirsten Tybjerg
Miss Nellie McCrea	Miss Etta Weldon
Miss Ethel Fennimore	Miss Edna Williams
Miss Mary Fauquier	Miss Lavinia Wood
Miss Edith Cox	Miss Dorothy Lawrence
Miss Blanche Bartlett	Miss Orpha Durland
Miss Vera Beach	Miss Pattie Foster
Miss Florence Alston	Miss Marie De La Cour
Miss Anna B. Duncan	Miss Elizabeth Davis
Miss Gladys Butcher	Miss Hazel Emmett
Miss Esther Long	Miss Elizabeth Burroughs
Miss Jean Dodd	Miss Edna Haverstock
Miss Mildred Gibson	Miss Elizabeth Bower
Miss H. M. Loomis	Miss Eleanor Hildick
Miss Clara Greene	Miss H. L. Josephi
Mrs. Laura Marquis	Miss Olive McDougal
Miss Alice Maxwell	Miss Lillian Muirheid
Miss Christine H. Mack	Miss Virginia Hunter
Miss Catherine Skuler	Miss R. Lee Cromwell

Miss Gladys M. Fraser
Miss A. A. Penchon
Miss M. E. Patterson
Miss Amy K. Paget
Miss Elizabeth Olson
Miss Vera Playter

Miss Lillian Wilson
Miss Mathilde Jouffret
Miss Mabel Neikerk
Miss E. S. Malmgren
Mrs. A. B. Avery

HOSPITAL SECTION

Fresh Air Work

During the months of July and August 500 children were sent to the country through the Social Service Department. This number does not include the 182 children which were sent to Campbell Cottages for convalescent care.

Every summer the New York Tribune raises money to send the children of New York away for a two weeks vacation. A great many of these children are sent to private home throughout the country, that have been investigated by the New York Tribune, which pays for the board and carfare for these children.

Very often the children are so well liked that the people whose guests they are, invite them to remain all summer, and often invite them back the next summer.

The children who are sent through the Social Service Department are most of them known to the dispensary themselves or indirectly through the illness of someone in the family.

MISS A. V. IBBOTSON.

INDUSTRIAL SECTION

(Third Article)

Social Service in Industry

In previous articles we have tried to show that industrial nursing concerns itself almost exclusively with health and in the majority of cases limits its activities to the immediate "health emergency" whether medical or surgical and this treatment in every instance bears a close relationship to absenteeism.

The personnel department concerns itself with production, efficiency and industrial relations—admitting the need of a health department, but in most instances feeling that the value of such a department is over emphasized.

Some field work is done in each of these departments, but such work is confined to the employee and does not include his family and is usually indicated by absenteeism.

With the increase of schools of Social work in the States, and the emphasis placed on the study of Sociology in our universities it was only a question of time before the trained Social worker should appear in Industry.

The number of Plants having Social Service departments at the present time is very small and the majority of them have as their

executives men who are trained and experienced social workers, but women are gradually gaining a foothold.

The social service department must not only take cognizance of the health, efficiency and home conditions of the employee, but a very large part, indeed I may say the biggest part of his or her work, is in giving the "social point of view" to employers, superintendents, foremen, executives, doctors and fellow-workmen.

What is the "social point of view?"—A recognition that social problems—disease, poverty, delinquency, etc., are cases of social maladjustment and that the solution of these problems can only come through the co-ordinated efforts of the employer, physician and the community at large. That medical men are particularly weak in this respect, must be admitted by any social worker who has had dealings with them. In spite of the efforts along this line of Dr. Cabot of Boston and Dr. Emerson of Baltimore, the Medical Schools at present place no emphasis on Sociology.

The Industrial Group is a little world in itself, and the problems that affect any small community find their way into the Social Service Department for adjustment and relief.

Health is dealt with not only from the point of emergency treatment, but from the point of health conservation. Various methods are used for conserving the family income:—Training and encouraging the employee to fit himself for the better paid job. Reducing the financial strain of illness in family, by keeping them in good health. Encouraging thrift by getting men to buy homes or start savings accounts. Domestic relations, feeble-mindedness, physical handicaps, malingering, industrial relations, employment, fresh air work, compensation, safety, these problems are all in the day's work.

It is necessary that everyone in the plant is working with you if you would make the industrial situation one of human, cultural and spiritual values. It has been said that "No man liveth to himself alone," that no matter what our condition in life we are but links in a chain, each one more or less dependent upon another. This is doubly true of the Industrial Social Service Department. It is essential that affiliations be made with the Social Agencies in your neighborhood, that the worker does her part in the work of the community as well as in her own particular plant. It is not possible to deal intelligently with an individual unless we know something of his environment. It is as important to know how he spends his leisure time as how and where he works. About one third of our lives is spent in work and if we can establish ethical standards in Industry, it is a great step towards establishing ethical standards in the home and in the community.

To make industrial technique ethical and to make social ethics technical—this is the real job of the social worker. It is not easy—far from it. An infinite amount of patience, good-will, straight thinking, character and knowledge, all are necessary. There will be failures and disappointments. But hope, perseverance and philosophy in time will blaze a trail for successful social work in Industry.

MARGARET L. ROGERS

Director of Social Service, Kohler Industries.

WHO'S WHO COLUMN

New York Hospital Training School



IRENE H. SUTLIFFE

Born an educated in Albany, she entered in 1878 the Training School of the Society of the New York Hospital, an institution which was chartered by King George in 1771, and which early established a school of nursing. She became Superintendent of the Hamot Hospital in Erie, Pennsylvania, returning to New York in 1886 as Director of the School in which she had found her professional preparation. There she remained until 1902, except for a brief period of service during the Spanish-American War in 1898.

It is not possible to portray with any justice the keen judgment, the high ethical standards, the abounding sympathy and understanding in her relation with her students, and the unquenchable love for her calling of this intrepid spirit functioning through the frailest of physical structures.

Evidence of her vision may be found in the affiliation with the Sloane Maternity Hospital as early as 1890 and the provision of a diet kitchen in a period when the science of nutrition was but in its infancy. The opening of a branch emergency hospital gave added

experience to her students. Her advice and assistance were constantly sought for the nurses' residence erected in 1890 on the most modern and model college dormitory plans.

Testimony is borne to the effectiveness of her methods as a teacher and administrator by the notable number of her students who have held important executive posts. She was recognized as a power in the early days of the nursing profession as shown by her appointment as Honorary Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Five of the Nursing Sub-Section at the International Congress of Charities Correction and Philanthropy held in Chicago in 1893. In a paper read at this time Miss Sutcliffe urged the creation of an association of nurses, believing that it would be a potent factor in maintaining high professional standards and in strengthening and perpetuating the altruism that had projected so many students into this arduous field. Her appreciation of such need brought into early existence the alumnae association of the school and later the New York Hospital Nurses' Club.

Upon regaining some measure of the strength sapped by the prolonged illness which had necessitated her retirement, in 1908 she established the social service work at the Hudson Street Hospital and that at the New York Hospital in 1909. In 1916, when an infantile paralysis epidemic swept the city, she organized an emergency hospital for the treatment of these cases, a service recognized in the minutes of the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital as follows:

"The same qualities that marked her headship of the Training School were conspicuous in this new labor of love in the Fifty-ninth Street branch. During those August days, the heat, the noise, the general confusion and discomfort and the pressure of things to be done were sufficient to have wearied the strongest, but her frail body was borne up by her indomitable spirit. No administrative difficulties discouraged her, her tact was unfailing, and her tender care of the children was impressive. In this latest emergency she has nobly responded to the needs of the Hospital as she had done before in the last fifteen years whenever called upon, and most notably in the successful establishment and maintenance of the Social Service Department of the Hospital. The Society owes her a lasting debt."

Beloved and revered, Irene Sutcliffe still holds her place as guide and advisor to the now many hundreds of nurses who have graduated from this school and who feel that their debt to her for a broadened social vision and strengthening of purpose can never be repaid.

ANNIE W. GOODRICH.

(Courtesy of National League of Nursing Education)

THE STUDENT NURSE AT HENRY STREET

For the last year the student nurses of our Hospital have had the opportunity of electing as one of their affiliations the four month student course with the Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service.

The time spent in this course is arbitrarily divided in half, one part being spent in theoretic study at Teachers' College, Columbia, and the other in field work in one of the various nursing centers.

The subject taken up at college are, Principles of Public Health Nursing, Preventable Diseases, and Principles of Family Social Work. While these topics can only be discussed briefly in the short time available, the fundamentals necessary for intelligent work on the district are well presented. Besides the interest which these studies afford, it is a delightful experience to share the carefree college life, to just be going to school, and to be able to think out the basic factors of the work, while free from the immediate pressure and responsibility of that work, which has not been possible in the hospital.

The course in Public Health Nursing includes visits to the Charity Organization Society, the Board of Health Headquarters, and the National Organization for Public Health Nursing. The history of Public Health Nursing and the many phases of that work, especially rural nursing, are discussed.

The study of family social work is quite novel to one whose busy hospital life has afforded little time to think of the indirect, or even the more fundamental, causes of social problems, such problems as the public health nurse inevitably encounters and would either deal with unwisely or else not adequately cope with without some training.

"Preventable Diseases" is taught to a large class of public health nurses, teachers and social workers, and much is learned regarding what should be taught the public about the cause, treatment and methods for the prevention and control of these diseases.

When on the district, the first day is spent in the field observing the work of a staff nurse as she makes her visits in the home. Then follows a series of classroom demonstrations, giving by the supervisor, of the Henry Street technique, and the nursing procedure in all types of cases in the home and the type of records kept. Then after being informed as to the hospitals, clinics, and other medical and social resources of the district, the pupil goes out fully equipped to take up her own cases, make contracts with other agencies, plan her work, and write her records with careful daily supervision. The supervisor also goes out into the field with the student and can in that way instruct her and also note her progress and adaptability to the work. The educational director from time to time goes over her records pointing out possibilities and helping to solve problems.

Apart from the actual district work clinics, such as pre-school, tuberculosis and baby health clinics are visited, and places relative to the work such as the Victoria Apartments for tubercular families, conducted by the A. I. C. P. and Dr. Wile's Psychiatric Clinic for children at Mount Sinai.

The work is most interesting both because of the need and possibilities of it, and also because it brings one in such close contact with many traits of human nature. We may notice in the hospital that our Italian mother clings longer to her national traditions than other new Americans, but we little appreciate her patience and love of beauty without a glimpse of her home, which although very poor, is bravely adorned with wide rows of lace about the kitchen sink and shelves. Her bedspread, too, of which she is most proud, is satin, covered with such beautiful lace as must have cost hours of painstaking labor.

Is it not worthwhile to bring to many a sick mother such skilled care as removes the necessity for her going to the hospital, an event which is often tragic in view of the fact that her little children would be left without proper care? Is it not good to be instrumental in checking the ravages of contagious disease in crowded tenements by teaching prevention and hygienic living?

Is it not thrilling to be a part of the pageant of gray colors and throbbing life on the crowded tenement lined streets on a hot midsummer day, and hear little children say to one another, as if the very term inferred some magic quality, "There goes the nurse!"

A STUDENT NURSE.

"MORE IDEAS ON THE NURSING QUESTION"

We have had through the years much discussion of nurses and nursing and in the last issue of the "News" some articles of great interest, but it has always seemed to me that we fail to put our finger on what is fundamentally *wrong* with the whole question.

If the foundation upon which we build is wrong, no matter how fine the structure we place upon that foundation, it is obviously impossible for that building to stand.

To begin at the very beginning—The whole *nursing question* whether discussed by "the Employer, the Doctor, the Nurse or our County Medical Society begins with a false promise" that "first, last and always the responsibility of caring for the sick is the responsibility of the *nurse*." As a matter of fact it is no such thing. It is the business of the community—The community that builds your Hospitals, your Churches, your Orphan Asylums, etc. It is decidedly *their* business. If a patient can not afford to pay his Doctor he goes to the Hospital and goes to the ward and the Community pays as it should. If he goes to a Private room and finds the expense too much—why take it out on the special nurse? Why not divide the responsibility, between the Hospital, the Doctor and the nurse.

Our great Roosevelt said "It is everyone's duty to first carry their own weight" and it is the first duty of the nurse to conserve her health, her happiness and to have some decent standards of living and to try and lay away a little money for sickness and old age. How is she going to do this? First of all she is exploited by the

Hospital, overworked and underfed. They promise her an *education* which she doesn't get. Her classes are interfered with constantly, because she is needed by some emergency. Her instructors, in most instances have had no pedagogic training. The Doctors lectures—Well; the least said about them the better. Were the instruction of the best, she is too fatigued to assimilate it. She leaves the Hospital so poisoned with fatigue that it is only the exceptionally strong spirit here and there that ever again regains the buoyancy of youth. If you do not believe this take any group of nurses in their thirties and compare them with a similiar group in some other profession or occupation.

Well! what is the remedy? First. Hospitals are philanthropic institutions and should be supported by the public and manned by graduate nurses who are given a "saving" wage, nutritious palatable food properly served and clean comfortable rooms. How can this be done? If it is proven *necessary*, it will be done. In spite of the objections (as one of your correspondents put it) of other employees. We are apt to forget that the "other employees" are not professionals who have served a long and arduous apprenticeship which eliminates any basis for comparison.

Secondly.—Training Schools should be subsidized as other institutions of learning—they should be entirely independent and apart from the Hospital, only going to the hospital for experience which should not exceed four hours of actual physical work in any one day or night.

How can this be done?—again the community must do it, just as the community supports schools and colleges. Why not? Why should one little band of women bear the burden?

Something must be done. The professional nurse as we know her will soon be an extinct species in this country, unless something very radical is done. Other avenues are open to the educated woman where the satisfactions of life can more easily be maintained and the day is not far distant when the public must accept the responsibility.

But all this does not shorten the hours of the graduate nurse? We are all agreed that it is inhuman and barbarous to work anyone twelve hours a day—but no one has a remedy. Well, this is mine—Every hospital states in its regulations "that they provide general nursing." When a patient has two special nurses, where is the general nursing? It seems to me the Hospital should assume, out of this promised general nursing, responsibility for the patient for some hours, morning and evening, in order to shorten the duty hours of the specials. The patient pays the board of the specials—to the hospital. Why not pay such proportion of that money to the nurses as would enable them to get two of their meals at home, thus conserving their strength and time. I am told at the present time, night nurses have to go very early to the hospital for the evening meal and then waste almost an hour waiting to go on duty at 8 p. m. This extends the 12 hour day to 14 or 15 hours. This may be a very poor suggestion—but as no one has offered any,—this may serve to stimulate discussion, out of which may grow some plan that is practical.

I am glad to know a committee has been appointed to act in this matter and I am sure that they will accomplish something. It is certainly time to call a halt. When a group of eminent professional gentlemen get together and in solemn conclave place the responsibility of the "baby shortage" on the shoulders of the nursing profession,—it is time for action. Incidentally it would seem that Erie County, New York is not as far away from Dayton, Tennessee, as it appears on the map.

MRS. M. L. ROGERS.

NURSES BEGIN WORLD SESSION

Helsingfors, Finland, July 21. — About twelve hundred women attended the opening session here of the Sixth World's Congress of the International Council of Nurses. Americans comprise the largest foreign delegation, under the leadership of Miss Ada Eldredge, Miss C. D. Noyes, Miss Isabelle Stewart, Miss Annie W. Goodrich, Miss Mary Gardner and Major Julia C. Stimson.

NIGHTINGALE STATUE IN ITALY

Now that the trained nurses are struggling to improve their lot in the ways that will ultimately satisfy them it is interesting to learn that Florence Nightingale's statue stands in the cloisters of the Church of Santa Croce in Florence. Why the first tribute to the first great nurse of history should stand in a church in Italy when she was English and spread the fame of her country throughout the world by her own heroism in a war between England and Russia has puzzled more than one person ignorant of some of the facts in the interesting history of the Lady of the Lamp.

Florence Nightingale was born in Florence while her parents were traveling in Italy. They occupied an old Tuscan villa called La Colombaia on a hill by Bellosguardo outside the Porta Romana. A tablet which was put up by the present owner of the house records her birth on May 10, 1820. Just as Shelly named his son Florence because he was born in the Italian city, Miss Nightingale's parents recalled her birthplace in her name. It was on account of her birth in Naples that her older sister, later Lady Verney, was called by her parents Parthenope.

It was after Florence Nightingale's death that the facts concerning her name and her birthplace were made known to English residents of the City of Flowers. Permission to erect a tablet to her in the cloisters of Santa Croce, which has long been dedicated to memorials of the illustrious dead, was obtained, and F. W. SARGENT was the sculptor to whom the work of executing the memorial was intrusted. The monument consists of a symbolical figure of the Lady of the Lamp in an oval niche. So there is undeniable propriety in placing the figure of the great nurse in a Florentine church near the monuments of such other illustrious figures in history as Dante and Michelangelo.



ARMY NURSE CORPS IN PARIS

We are indebted to the "Red Cross Courier" for the above picture of World War Nurses, who, during the most trying times, marched in Paris, aiming to encourage and stimulate the troops and nurses, who having served so long needed the moral and physical support of their comrades from across the water. This group was headed by Major Julia C. Stimson (class 1908), Superintendent of the Army Nurse Corps, Washington, D. C. Following Miss Stimson, we find, Miss Patterson, Miss Elizabeth Ashe, Miss Maxwell, and Miss Martha Eakins.

Quoting Major Stimson, "The date of the parade was July 4, 1918. The majority of the nurses who paraded were on night duty in the hospitals of Paris. The day nurses were too busy to be able to leave their work because the hospitals were overflowing with patients, but the night nurses were willing to sacrifice some of their sleep in order to take part in this parade, which was the first one in which Americans had ever taken part in Paris. The majority of the nurses in the parade were reserves of the Army Nurse Corps, all the reserves being Red Cross nurses."

BABIES' HOSPITAL AFFILIATION

For the past year the question of affiliation of the Babies Hospital with the Joint Administrative Board of Presbyterian Hospital and the School of Medicine of Columbia University has been under consideration. Finally in February the formal agreement was signed. This will be of interest to many New York Hospital nurses as Marianna Wheeler for sixteen years was Superintendent of the Babies' Hospital, resigning in January, 1906, when Mary Agnes Smith re-

ceived the appointment. This affiliation will mean leaving the present Hospital property at 55th Street and Lexington Avenue, and building on the Columbia University ground at 168th Street and Broadway, which corner has been assigned for the building of the Babies' Hospital.

The Medical Centre will be the greatest centre in the world when completed, and to the students it will mean a very great opportunity as all teaching will be done at this one great Centre. The Presbyterian Hospital broke ground in the winter of 1924, and their building is well under construction. It will probably be two years before the Babies' Hospital will move to the new quarters.

The Babies' Hospital has been the centre of Pediatric teaching for over thirty years, and the affiliation is giving a great deal of pleasure as the connection will be of the greatest advantage to the community. It will mean much more bed capacity and taking children up to 12 years of age, where now only children up to 4 years of age can be accommodated.

Plans for the Babies' Hospital are being made, and a campaign to raise money for this building will be started in the fall.

MARY AGNES SMITH

Superintendent, Babies' Hospital.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Summer is almost over and we find many of our nurses already back on duty and others reported as still having a good time, but facing the inevitable necessity of soon joining those who vacationed earlier or for a shorter period of time.

RETURNING: When one contemplates this, we cannot but feel how fortunate we are to have a place to return to, which is OUR VERY OWN among friends instead of being obliged to seek shelter among strangers in any old place.

Miss Pencheon is spending her vacation with Miss Agatha Stewart in Digby, N. S., Canada.

Miss Anna Slack (1914) after visiting friends at Newport, went to Lake Simcoe, Canada to visit Mrs. Chant.

Miss Olive Macdougall returned to the Club after two months with her family at Lake of Bays, Canada.

Mrs. B. A. Ayer is with her family in Toronto, Canada.

Miss Nettie Nudel, spent her vacation at home, Toronto, Canada, her sister Miss Ida Nudel being there at the same time.

A letter from one of the group of our nurses describes an ideal vacation at the Attean Camps, Jackman, Maine. Their Camp is situated on an Island, the building itself built of peeled logs, consists of two large bed-rooms, dining room, kitchen, guides' room, woodshed, front and back porches; the former extends across the front and being wide, reminds one of the deck of a ship. Mountain climbing, boating, berrying, bridge, reading, etc., tend to make the time fly only too fast. The members of this happy group are the Misses Sarah Gowan, F. E. Nelson, Isobel B. Phymister, Helen Moir, Bess

Bower, all graduates of our school and Mrs. Benedict (Mrs. Sutcliffe's sister) and Miss Marion Harris a member of our club family for years.

Miss Irene H. Sutcliffe, spent a few days at the Club following her rest at Ocean Point, Maine, since when she has been at her Cottage at Mountainville, N. Y. all alone, except for visitors from time to time, who come back reporting their hostess looking well.

It is good news to have Miss Lillian Muirheid back at the Club again, and to know that her brother, who has been very ill is up and about although still far from well.

Miss Florence Mack, (Class 1921) arrived from Paris, August 24th. After visiting her brother on Long Island, Miss Mack returned to Paris for an indefinite period.

The lure of "Old New York" brings Mrs. Curtis W. Kursteiner (E. J. Stubbs, 1908) on a visit to the Club for a short time. Mrs. Kursteiner's home is in East Harbour, Turks Island, B. W. I.

On her way to visit her sister in Damariscotta, Maine, Miss Maud Ferguson paid the Club a visit.

Mrs. John D. Gould's address is now 10 Rose Place, Utica, N. Y.

In a note from Miss Lillian Rowe who is at Alderson, W. Va., she says the days are very strenuous, but not wholly satisfying as she misses her nursing very much and her friends terribly.

Miss Emily Simpson was visiting her sister in Winchester, Va. and returned to New York in September.

Miss Bertha Luce was tendered a farewell party by some of her friends at the Club and presented with a very fine camera. Miss Luce assumes new duties at the Springfield Hospital at Springfield, Mass. May all good luck be hers.

Miss Anna L. Reutinger, is enjoying her Cottage at Ocean Point, Maine with Miss Edith Blake and Miss Lindgren as her guests.

The Misses R. Lee Cromwell, Ethel M. James, and Emma Nicodemus spent most of the summer at Crystal Lake.

Mrs. Grace P. Rogers, Assistant to Miss Miller, spent her vacation with Miss Nina Sinnot at her summer cottage.

Miss Florence Nash is paying the Club a visit for a week or two after relieving her sister at Seneca Fall, N. Y. Miss Nash will then return to her home in Wellington, Canada.

Miss Bertha Sinnot is enjoying a well earned vacation with her sister at their Cape Cod summer home.

It is pleasant to learn that Miss Edla Malmgren has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the New York County, American Legion. This makes the second of our nurses to be elected to this honor.

In our last issue we reported that Miss Doris Slack expected to assume the Directorship of the Children's Hospital in France in October. *B U T* Dan Cupid had something to say about it. We now hear that Miss Slack will be married to Mr. John Kagger in November.

It is said that the warm climate of the South is conducive to the art of love making. News from most authentic quarters says Miss Lillian Wilson became engaged to Mr. John Tolar of Fayetteville, N. C., and will change her name in November.

This sudden migration to the South by so many of our nurses may have some real serious motive?

Miss Florence A. Mosher, left Tuesday night, September 15th, to engage in Real Estate in Florida.

Miss Verna Smith spent the greater part of her vacation in Canada, having many pleasant re-unions among friends and classmates. Miss Smith visited part of the time on the Rideau Lakes with Mrs. Phyllis Gordon, and after a short stay at the Club will go South for several months. Have a care Verna: Miss Mary Cameron goes with her.

Miss L. Wood, Registrar, returned to duty on September 1, having spent her 3 months vacation touring through the White and Green Mountains, after a visit to her sister in Sneedings Landing, near Nyack, N. Y.

Miss Marie Falconer resigned her position in the Plant Hospital, Clearwater, Fla. and is resting at Sea Breeze, Fla. where she had a visit from Miss G. S. Nicholson, (1911) prior to the latter's return to her home in Kansas City, Mo.

Miss Kramer, who was relieving Miss Wood, Registrar spent her two weeks with her cousin in Maine.

Miss Marion Ferguson, 1918, when not with Mrs. Aycrigg, has been with Miss Helen Larkin, who is doing excellent work in the field of Public Health Nursing at Aurora, Ontario, Canada.

Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers has been appointed Chairman of the Clinton Neighborhood Conference for the coming year. We also note that a farewell party was tendered Mrs. Rogers, who was a guest at Chequit Inn, Shelter Island, L. I. The proprietress provided great hampers of lunch so the guest might enjoy a real picnic in country style, at Southampton.

Miss M. H. Jordan spent the month of July at Damascotta, Me.

We are glad to hear that Miss Jordan's three sisters have taken an apartment next door, 305 West 45th St., which means we will see Miss Jordan frequently at the Club, where so many of her graduates live.

Miss Corrigan, who has been in charge of Ward O is now in charge of the Private Operating Room.

Miss H. Myrtle Aurey is relieving Miss Walton in the Dispensary during Miss Walton's vacation at her home in Toronto this September.

Miss Moffit, who is in charge of the Private Floors, is spending September at Stonington, Conn.

Miss Mabel C. Beeler, 1918, was at the Club a few days in September, after attending the International Congress of Nurses in Helsingfors, Finland and a European tour of three months.

DIRECTOR OF NURSING TO ENJOY WELL EARNED REST

Miss Anna A. Williamson, R.N., has been placed on the retired list. Completing eighteen years as Director of Nursing of the California Lutheran School of Nursing Miss Williamson occupies a unique position in California for length of service.

The Board of Directors of the hospital, in recognition of her work for the school have granted her a year's leave of absence, with the understanding that she is to retain her title of "Director of Nursing" during that time.



ANNA A. WILLIAMSON, R.N.
Graduate of New York Hospital, 1896

Miss Williamson will continue to reside in her beautiful apartment in the School of Nursing, which was especially designed for her when the building was erected about two years ago, and which contains within its three large sunny rooms, every convenience and luxury, from a cedar closet, to a coast to coast radio.

What Miss Williamson's plans are for this year no one knows. When interviewed on the subject she said she had none, that she had been making plans for three hundred people for so long that she prefers to drift anyway for the present, and she certainly is drifting, for the sight of our busy Director who never had time to take a vacation, driving around in her car at all hours of the day, and keeping

her light burning until the wee sma' hours of the night while she hunts new radio stations is astonishing to put it mildly. But the tired look has gone from her face and she seems to be enjoying her new experiences.

Just before she retired from her office, the Board of Directors entertained Miss Williamson at a dinner, where many words of commendation were spoken for her long and faithful service, and she was presented with a beautifully illuminated and handsomely bound testimonial signed by the members of the Board, the Superintendent of the hospital, the Faculty, the President of the Alumnae, and the President of the Student Body.

Monday, July 13th, the Student Body gave a reception for Miss Williamson which was attended by the entire hospital family, and before the evening was over they presented her with a handsome traveling bag with beautiful amber fittings.

These social gatherings are not considered in any way as farewell parties because Miss Williamson will continue as a member of the hospital family for many years to come.

When Miss Williamson returns to duty she will take charge of the Social Service Department of the new four hundred bed hospital which will be completed about the first of February, and no doubt she is looking forward to another eighteen years in her new position.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Though late, we would congratulate Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Kellogg on the birth of a son, Edward Cummings Kellogg, born April 7th.

Miss Edith Cox, (1921) was married to Dr. S. W. Drake, Sept. 2nd, and their honeymoon is being spent somewhere on the St. John River, Canada.

Miss Mildred Esther Kime, (1922) married Mr. Donald Ure Eager, July 18th at Syracuse, N. Y.

The friends of Miss Mary Cameron extend sympathy on the death of her Mother in June.

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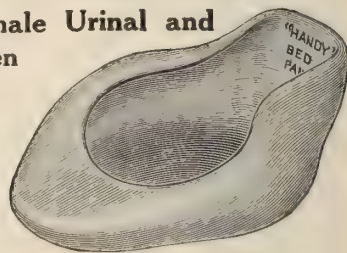
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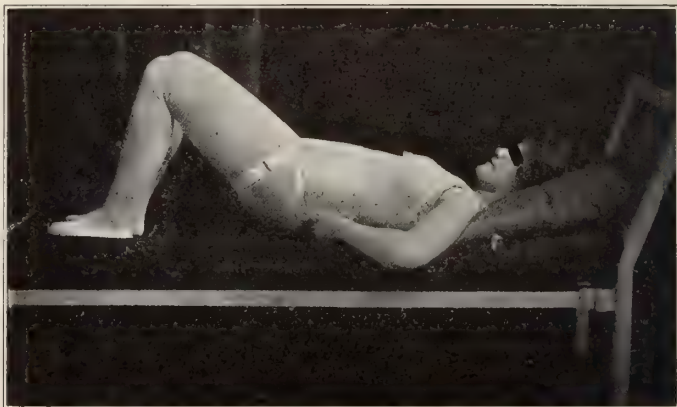
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SUMMARY OF ALUMNAE MEETINGS

OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

At the October meeting discussion on Registry Rules was postponed until the next meeting.

Miss Hitchcock was chosen our official delegate to the State Convention at Albany and the names of our other delegates, selected by the Board of Directors were ratified.

The question of a paid Field Secretary and the establishing of a headquarters for official records, which would entail an added levy on our funds, was presented by the President, and after discussion it was moved and carried that our delegate to the Convention be authorized to vote as seemed advisable at the time.

Miss Goede made a tentative report on the Registry Rules, stating that the Committee was still working on them and requested more time.

Mrs. Edward W. Brown was accepted into membership.

At the November meeting, after hearing Miss Hitchcock's splendid report, the question of the extra dues to finance the State Headquarters and the paid Field Secretary was discussed. As the State Executive was asking an initial payment of \$150 for the balance of this year, and a levy of 80 cents extra each year thereafter, it was moved by Miss Grafton and seconded by Miss Duncan that we pay the \$150 from our regular funds, and that this expenditure be referred to the Finance Committee for approval.

Our annual pledge of \$50 to the National Relief Fund was approved.

Miss Emma Benz moved that the Alumnae Association pay \$1,000.00 to the Sick Fund at the rate of \$200 for five years. The motion was lost.

It was decided to invite Miss Geister who has made the survey on the Private Duty Nursing question, to speak at our December meeting and have as our guests nurses from the following hospitals, where one of our graduates is at the head of the Training School—Roosevelt, French, Fifth Avenue and St. Mary's.

The members of the Nominating Committee chosen, were as follows: Miss Phymister, Miss Hildick, Miss McNish, Mrs. Marquis and Miss Playter.

The December meeting was called to order by Miss Hitchcock and the usual reports received. The suggesting of names for the County ticket was referred to the Executive Committee for action. Miss Marie Frasier who has been invalided through war service, had Life Membership conferred upon her by unanimous vote.

Miss Geister then addressed the meeting on the Private Duty Nurse Problem, and brought out many interesting points.

The study which has been made, was of private duty nursing, not private duty nurses. She emphasized the point that *facts* were necessary before conclusions could be reached; the number of actual working days, the number of days lost through illness, through needed

rest and recreation, and through lack of employment, living costs, and the types of cases which nurses will not take.

These facts can be secured only from the nurses actually doing private duty, and Miss Geister said that of the 1,000 questionnaires sent out in District 13 last summer, only 260 were returned. This is, of course, insufficient data. It is hoped to have returns from many times this number, through another questionnaire which is under preparation at this time.

Miss Geister said that with facts at hand, secured from the nurses, the public could be enlightened as to the needs of the nurses in an intelligent and convincing manner.

The graphs presented made the present findings of this survey very clear. The one showing that the average monthly room rental in New York is \$40.00 is another evidence that the New York Hospital nurses are fortunate in having the Club.

MEETINGS

The Annual Meeting of the Alumnae will be held on Thursday, January 14th, when yearly reports of the Club House and Alumnae Association will be presented and officers and directors elected for 1926.

The ballot will be found in this issue and each nurse is urged to take an active interest in the choice of the nurses who will represent them during the coming year.

The next meeting of the New York County Registered Nurses' Association will be held February 2nd at 132 East 45th Street.

CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY

All graduates and their friends are invited to attend our "Christmas Tea" on Wednesday, December 30th, from four to six. Miss Irene H. Sutcliffe will be hostess.

THE CATHEDRAL WINDOW

Miss Sutcliffe reports that the total amount received from the New York Hospital Nurses for the Memorial Window in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine is \$1,143, and asks those who have not as yet contributed and wish to have a part in this wonderful memorial, to send their subscriptions to her before January 1st.

A NEW FIELD

Miss Emma Mary Powell (1909) has returned to New York and has taken an office at 9 West 48th Street where she has installed an "Alpine Sun Lamp" and three mineral fume and vapor bath cabinets.

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SOCIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Owing to the shortage of coal this winter, a friend of the Social Service Department has given two tons of hard coal, which will be sold to families known to the department, at last winter's price by the Social Service Department.

As usual about 100 baskets were given to the needy families at Thanksgiving. The contents of these baskets being given by members of the Social Service Auxiliary.

Christmas is always a very busy time with us, for besides giving out about 150 baskets, 25 of which are given by Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Astor, a number of families receive extra clothing, and several old ladies and shut-ins are remembered by the Auxiliary.

Then too, the children of the Out-Patient Department have their Christmas parties, during the week between Christmas and New Year's, when about 400 children are entertained. Owing to lack of space in the hospital and through the courtesy of the Y. W. C. A., the large hall at the Margaret Louisa on East 16th Street is turned over for our use, and for three afternoons the hall rings with shouts of childish glee when Santa Claus delivers toys and candy. There is always a great display of talent, and we cordially invite any of our graduates who are in the neighborhood to come and join us.

ALICE V. IBBOTSON, R.N.

PERSONAL NEWS

Emma Morse (1906) is thoroughly enjoying her vacation and rest. At present she is in Montreal where she will be until Christmas. She expects to come to New York in January, and hopes to go over to Paris in May. In September she and her sisters, the Misses Jacobi, gave a delightful "Tea" at their home in Toronto. The New York Hospital graduates there were Florence Creighton, Mrs. Webster (Emma Rose), Nettie Nudell, Maud Creighton and Isabelle Walton.

We all felt that the Hospital had met with a *real loss* when Nellie Rough resigned her position on the third and fourth floors of the P. P. B., where she has been for so long. It was with the deepest regret that we saw her go. We all wish her the greatest possible success in her new work. She is now with "The Storm Supporter Co." and we can only add, that our loss is Anna B. Duncan's gain.

Alice Ellison, Superintendent of the Campbell Cottages, has just returned from her vacation, part of which was spent at Atlantic City, where she had a wonderful rest. She looks so well and is ready for her winter's work.

I think we are all back at the New York Hospital from our vacations. Miss Jordan spent hers in Maine. Remember that she is "At Home" the first Saturday afternoon of every month, and is always delighted to see her friends.

Sarah Moore spent ten days at her home, and hurried back to start on her trip abroad. This is the second year that she has gone over on the Leviathan and how she enjoyed every minute of it. She had three days in London, and what she saw and where she went would take most people weeks.

Edith Cox resigned at the close of her vacation to be married to Dr. Drake. They are living in Newfoundland, N. J. Our best wishes go to them in their new home.

Alice Maud Moffat had a delightful visit and rest at Stonington, Conn.

Hazel Emmett was at her home in Toronto, where she enjoyed any amount of automobiling.

Mabel O'Brien had such a wonderful time in Montreal that she did not want to return to us.

Katherine Schuler went to Grimsby, Canada, to visit her class-mate, Mrs. Morris (Bessie Jones, 1923). She thoroughly enjoyed her trip. Etta Crane (1923) was in Toronto, so there was considerable visiting done between the two places.

Katherine Webster (1922) went down to Squirrel Island for a month. She has resigned her position in the Operating Room and has gone back to her old love, "Ward O."

Hannah L. Josephi spent six weeks at her home in Portland, Oregon. She went out through the Canadian Rockies and stayed a few days at Jasper Park.

Victoria Ibbotson went to her old camping ground in Maine.

Gladys Butcher was at her home, St. Mary's, Canada, and Beatrice Don at her's in Ridgewood, N. J.

Isabelle Walton was in Toronto and saw so many of our graduates while there. I wish you could all run in and see Mrs. McGillvary's, (Hilda Rutherford) darling apartment. She gave a New York Hospital luncheon. Those invited were Olive Secord, Lillian Kidney, Florence Jackson and Isabelle Walton. It was a cold wet day and after a charming lunch we all sat around a cozy fire and gossiped to our hearts' content.

Florence Jackson (1915) also gave a lovely luncheon. She expects to come down to New York before long for a visit and sent best wishes to all her old friends.

Mrs. MacDougall (Bessie Wylie, 1897) who has been living in Alabama was on her way to Florida to spend the winter with her sons. She was staying with her sister in Toronto. I could not begin to tell you of all the older nurses that she was asking for, and sent best wishes to.

Maud Lund went down to Avon-by-the-Sea for a month.

Blanche Bartlett took a fine long trip to her home in Newfoundland.

Helen Corrigan also went to her home, South Hampton, L. I.

Marie Kavanagh had a fine time, taking the trip to Quebec, and up the Saguenay River. It was so delightful that she and Helen Corrigan expect to take it together next summer.

Miss Hern, Superintendent of Nurses at Bloomingdale was in to say "goodbye" before leaving on her trip to Europe. She was accompanied by Dorothy Hayward (1925) and three other friends. Miss Jordan has just heard from London from them.

We had our first visit from "Our Hospital Baby, Pete Dineen" lately. He certainly was the center of attraction while here.

Vera Beach (1923) resigned her position in Ward L and has

accepted the position of Instructor of Nurses in the Training School Department.

It hardly seems any time since our dear Ruth E. Landis (1923) left Ward L for her home in Rio de Janeiro, S. A., but it is a year—how time flies. She is at the San Francisco Hospital where her duties are many. She is Instructor of Nurses and looks after the Operating Room and Out Patient Department. Her letters about her work are wonderfully interesting and we are all looking forward to her return to "Little Old New York" in May, when we hope for an evening or evenings to hear from her about the beautiful city of Rio de Janeiro, and the hospital, and her work there. Everyone sends best wishes to her.

It has been nice for us to have so many of the class of 1925 stay on in the Hospital in positions. Marthe Cattelain is Night Supervisor, Grace Isom is in charge of the 7th and 8th floors, P. P. B., Helen Morgan had Ward K, Louis Weber had Ward H, Marzie Schuler is in charge of Ward M, Elizabeth Shannon Ward L, Mary Louise Doring Ward I. Camille Behiels has accepted a position up at Burke Foundation, White Plains and is enjoying her work there very much.

The New York State League of Nursing Education, Section 1, met in the Reception Room of our Nurses Home on Wednesday evening, November 26th. The meeting was very largely attended, and everyone enjoyed the interesting reports of the delegates from the International Convention at Finland and the New York State Nurses Convention at Albany.

MISS J. I. WALTON.

REPORT OF OUR OFFICIAL DELEGATE TO THE STATE CONVENTION ALBANY, N. Y.

In the report that follows, your official delegate has attempted to relate just certain facts which seem of outstanding importance for the general information of every nurse in the Association. As many of the speeches and papers will appear in the American Journal of Nursing and other periodicals, this report will be devoted to those intimate things that can only be gleaned by an official delegate whose very office permits her to go behind closed doors.

This being the first meeting at which the levy of 1.00 per person had been made, it is interesting to note that the sum of \$911 was received which went to help defray the expenses of the Convention. This sharing of the expenses of the meetings will enable us to hold them in smaller places, that have hesitated about inviting us to their localities due to the heavy expenses which necessarily must be incurred.

A few of the subjects that were discussed which should prove of interest are as follows:

1. Permanent headquarters and a paid Field Secretary.
2. Report of the Board of Nurse Examiners.
3. Individual Nurses and the Profession.
4. Private Duty Nursing. What is wrong with it?

PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS AND A PAID FIELD SECRETARY

The President, Mrs. Hansen, stated that the affairs of the State had so increased in volume and importance that they could no longer be properly administered by elected, part-time officers alone; that books, records, correspondence, etc., should be kept in one fireproof place instead of being scattered through the personal possessions of the officers; that the time of the officers should not be granted by their employers, as at present. She said the time required of her, the President, in the fulfillment of her duties had taken her away from her post as Secretary of the Visiting Nurse Association of Buffalo for a period of time aggregating more than one month in each year of service. Stenographic work had been done by her office stenographer at the expense of the Visiting Nurse Association. In a similar way the Secretary and the Treasurer have given of their employer's time and at personal expense in the performance of their official duties. Such being the situation, Mrs. Hansen stressed the necessity of having permanent headquarters with a paid secretary who could have all the records, the seal of the Association, etc., together, and also be available to go throughout the State to field meetings, where local nursing problems and others pertaining to the profession could be discussed and all members of the Association be kept informed on all subjects of mutual interest. The result of this discussion, was an overwhelming approval of the budget which will cover the added expense. This means for our Association that we must increase our dues by 80 cents per capita as our part in the establishing of a State Headquarters and a Field Secretary.

Nine of the States now have a Headquarters and paid Field Secretary, New York State being the tenth to fall in line.

BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS

Stimulated no doubt by the criticism levelled at the office of the Secretary of the Board of Nurse Examiners, the State President paid a visit to Albany and spent many hours going over the records carefully.

In her splendidly clear address Mrs. Hansen showed that she was impressed by the thoroughness of detail in handling the immense amount of work accomplished there. When misunderstandings occur it is quite as apt to be the person outside the office who is at fault. To secure perfect work the two cogs of this wheel, meaning the officers at Albany and the 21,000 registered nurses must fit perfectly or there is bound to be friction. Much trouble is avoided if the nurses will, when communicating with Albany—

(a) Use the name exactly as you had it on your registration certificate.

(b) If you marry, always notify the Secretary of the new name and signify the maiden name as on your Certificate of Registration.

(c) Send your money in the prescribed way.

(d) Notify the office at Albany of change of address.

Names of those registering after November 1st will not find their names in the year book, for that year but will be found on file at Albany.

HOW MANY INDIVIDUAL NURSES AID IN STRENGTHENING THEIR PROFESSION

First, by influencing the right type of women to enter it. Keep out the wrong type.

Live and work so it may be said of them, as Dr. Fosdick said of his father, "He was always paid for his work, but he never worked for pay."

Remember that education is not a drawback to nursing, rather the right kind of education is the second requisite of a good nurse—character being first.

Avoid recommending those who have had poor home training and poor moral standards as these usually are fatal handicaps to good nursing.

PRIVATE DUTY NURSE SURVEY

The great unrest that has laid hold upon the affairs of Private Duty Nurse group, caused District 1 and District 13 to attempt to get the voice of the private duty nurse herself. Miss Janett Geister was loaned by the Associated Out-Patient Clinics of New York to make the survey.

It was decided to get the record of one week's work at four different times of the year, so that different seasons and conditions might enter into the result. The blank already issued to the nurses was the first installment. I believe that each private duty nurse of the New York Hospital Alumnae received a questionnaire last August or September. Three others will follow at three months intervals and private duty nurses are urged to fill out the blanks as promptly as possible. The answers on the questionnaire sent out already disclosed that there is something quite wrong with private duty nursing. It appears to be something apart from the nurse or the doctor, nor does the fault lie with the public. The returns from the questionnaire suggest that perhaps the cause is, that private duty and all the modern ways of life have not yet *mutually adjusted* themselves.

We cannot conceive the day when bedside care of the sick will cease to be the background of the profession. But life has changed. Hours and conditions of labor have changed. Homes are different. Has the nurse and her patient in the home found their new platform?

A large mass of material is needed before anything like an opinion can be arrived at. The general character of the service is as formerly. There is still great waste of service—long hours of idleness that are almost universally bemoaned by the nurses, and there is lack of a united organized voice on the part of the private duty nurse. The private duty nurses do not want a "union," but they need an organization through which to give expression.

As far as this first step in the survey testifies, there is something quite wrong with the lot of the private duty nurse, although the trouble is not with the doctor, not with the nurse nor with the public. The public needs the nurse, the doctor cannot get along without her and it does not seem to be so much a question of money. It may be one of idleness and hours of service. We eagerly await the result of

the year's survey. It will materially help if, the nurses who receive the blanks, will fill them out fully and accurately, returning them at once to the sender? On just such co-operation depends the success of the survey, and a possible, intelligent solution of this grave problem.

NOTE.—Without this co-operation from the private duty nurses, and we mean the best type of private duty nurse, this survey will be useless and things will stay just as they are. There is no doubt that the hospital representatives, the doctors, the public and the nurses must get together, and in order to make such a conference fruitful, the data asked for is most essential. *It is up to the private duty nurse to do her part in the important survey.*—(Editor).

PERSONAL ITEMS

Miss M. Taylor (1918) has accepted a position of nurse in charge of the operating room at the Lincoln Hospital, which means she leaves the Club Family and will be missed by her friends.

Mrs. Laura Marquis and a party of friends motored from St. John's, New Brunswick, to New York.

Miss Mary Cameron and Miss Verna Smith sail on the "Cherokee" for Florida, December 19th. Their address will be Box 96, Sea Breeze, Daytona, Fla. Miss Blohme (1922) travels with them as far as Charleston, S. C., where she will spend a vacation.

Miss Marie K. Falconer has registered for duty in Jacksonville, Fla., where her address will be 131 East 2nd Street.

Our sympathy is extended Miss Kinney on the recent loss of her mother.

Miss Marion Doane (1913) was presented with the medal of merit, in gratitude for her splendid services as supervising nurse at the General Hospital in Port au Prince, Haiti. Only two other Americans have ever received the above award and Miss Doane is the first woman to be thus honored. Miss Doane is at present hostess at the Field Club, Valeria Home.

Miss Ethel Robinson and Miss Toms, who have been at the Pekin Union Medical College, Pekin, China, start on furlough December 1st. They expect to be in Bombay in January, Cairo and Rome in February, Paris in April, London in May and New York next Fall. The year's furlough will end on February 1st when they expect to resume duties in Pekin.

Miss Mary Vroom, and her sister visited the Club recently and are now back again at 1 West Cliff Street, Somerville, after spending a year and a half at Lakelhurst, N. J.

Miss Marie Kramer visited Miss Bertha Luce at Springfield, Mass., and found the new dispensary under Miss Luce's supervision in operation. It is always pleasant to learn of our nurses assuming worthwhile jobs and "making good." We are conceited (maybe) in thinking the New York Hospital graduates can look back and find

many of our nurses filling responsible positions and reflecting credit on their Alma Mater, but we must not forget the younger nurses who are coming to the front in their profession and encourage them in every possible way.

Miss Mary Ranken (Class 1901) resigned her position at St. George's Church where she has been doing such capable work in the Social Service Department, and will accompany Mrs. Arthur Aycrigg abroad. We feel sure that Miss Ranken has earned this change and we are equally sure that the officers of the St. George's Church will not find a successor who will measure up to the one they are losing. Later news state Mrs. Aycrigg and Miss Ranken sailed on December 3rd.

Miss Nina Sinnot and Miss Bess Wilkinson, were the hostesses on Monday, November 23rd, to twenty-two graduates who spent a most enjoyable time at Bridge. Such social hours tend to bring members of the Club together and make for good fellowship. May we have more of them.

Miss Bertha M. Luce, writes of her work in Springfield where she has assumed a responsibility of no small measure, namely the establishing of the first dispensary in that City of 170,000 population. Miss Luce finds herself not only supervising nurse, but consultant in connection with the building construction, the plumbing, the lighting fixtures, etc., and the sole authority on rules which will govern the personnel of the dispensary. Her "Board of Governors" seem to be the Junior League Society of Springfield who are financing the project. It certainly sounds interesting as well as most absorbing. Good luck.

Mrs. Sarai Woodward Alexander is living at West Palm Beach, Fla.

Miss Rose Green (Class 1894) was one of the passengers on the Steamer Lanape which was burned at sea recently and we are proud to relate that Miss Green showed the heroism at least in spirit, when the crisis was reached, which we always hope nurses will evince under such circumstances. Miss Green realizing the seriousness, turned to her companion and said "we must be the last of the women to go." We congratulate Miss Green on her escape from other than the expected shock and on her wonderful spirit shown in emergency.

Miss M. S. Proctor (1914) who has been in England for some time, is at the Club for the winter.

We are happy to report that Miss A. M. Rykert who has been at the Post Graduate Hospital is convalescing most satisfactorily. We also learn, with no surprise, that the doctors and nurses at the Hospital have been especially attentive to Miss Rykert, whom they feel is partly their very own. Miss Rykert, was Superintendent of Nurses for several years and also in charge of the famous Babies' Ward of that Hospital.

Word has come from Miss Miller, former Superintendent of the Club, that she has received an offer to go abroad this Spring. Her many friends at the Club wish her a very happy experience and the best of luck.

A MESSAGE FROM HELSINGFORS



Church of St. Nicholas, Helsingfors, where on the opening day Jean Sibelius' composition, specially written for the occasion, was sung. November 1, 1925.

It is impossible to recall the wonderful week of the Helsingfors convention without dwelling for a brief moment on the impression that the country of Finland made upon us, an impression which I think was quite universal. Many of us, I am sure, and I certainly had no expectation of finding a country and a city so modern, so beautiful, with such an atmosphere of stability and freedom. The reports of the conflicts between Finland and Russia left a picture of a country fought over, destroyed, devastated; whereas we found a city of beautiful buildings, no appearance of great wealth, nor any suggestion of great poverty; evidence of straightened means and an absence of luxuries, yes.

At the reception given by the President in the magnificent palace formerly occupied by the Czar of Russia on his occasional visits to Finland, we had the pleasure of meeting the President of the republic and his charming wife. Through a nurse interpreter, Miss Forsman, of whom I shall speak again, the President told us that there was less than one per cent illiteracy in Finland; and he added: "As President of a republic, I am naturally thrown with all types of men, and I do not recall that I have ever spoken with one who could not read and write." This is an interesting contrast to our own illiteracy percentage, which brings us well down in the list as compared with the countries, particularly the smaller countries, in Europe.

Another profound impression was made by the Mannerheim League of Child Welfare which has, through a districting of the country, provided a program of health and welfare activities which it would be difficult to find in any area of the same extent and representing the same population, approximately 3,000,000, in this country. For instance, the development of the nursery school, originating in Great Britain, is proceeding slowly and sporadically in this country, whereas such schools were to be found in many of the districts.

The provision of midwives is also interesting, being one to five hundred of the population. The midwife must not, of course, be conceived of as the ignorant, untrained person so usually found in this country. She is rather a woman who has been subjected to two years of preparation, much of which has been in the highly equipped and quite beautiful hospitals of the country. I wish that we could have seen more of the hospital situation than was possible during our brief stay with the heavy program of the convention. We did, however, have a most delightful day with the Baroness Mannerheim, when we lunched at the Surgical Hospital and went through the building, modern in equipment and construction, in which she has her headquarters as Superintendent of the School of Nursing. For it must be understood that in the European countries the various services are often lodged in buildings many times quite removed from each other; as, for instance, the surgical unit, the gynecological and obstetrical unit, pediatrics, etcetera.

I wish I could present the charm of the plan which provided outside of every ward an attractive anteroom or lounge for the convalescent patients; wicker furniture, with charming cretonne cushions, curtains of linen with exquisite handwork giving a touch of color, and always flowers and plants. When we found ourselves in the outpatient department, I conceived it to be the waiting room of the operating room suite, and was quite astounded to be told that patients of all classes, meeting the expense in accordance with their means, were treated here, and that this was in effect what we should call a dispensary.

I could continue almost indefinitely, presenting this aspect of the visit to Helsingfors. I cannot refrain from mentioning my visit to the gynecological hospital of which Miss Forsman, a Finnish nurse whom I had known in this country, was in charge. When walking through it, I spoke of it as a new building, only to be informed by Miss Forsman that it was over 200 years old, constantly, however, undergoing reconstruction to meet modern conditions.

It would be difficult, indeed impossible, for me certainly to put into words the inspiration and interest that the international congress representing thirty-three countries brought. The great national theatre filled from top to bottom with earnest and highly intelligent women, deeply concerned through conference and discussion to forward the profession of nursing, was profoundly moving. All of the papers, as I am sure the readers know, were given in English. This in itself, it seems to me, was an indication of great selflessness, since it must be remembered that of those two thousand nurses there assembled the majority were inevitably Finnish, and could hardly therefore be expected to understand or be interested in papers in the English language. We were repeatedly told that the Finnish nurses had ardently studied the English language all winter in order to be ready for this international congress, and so many of them spoke easily in our own tongue that we could not fail to know this to be the truth.



Finnish nurses who acted as ushers at the general meetings
in their attractive uniform of grey cloth.
November 1, 1925.

The papers were of rather unusual evenness in quality and content, the various subjects being ably dealt with. You will be interested perhaps particularly in the subjects by our own representatives, and will be glad to know that we had reason to be proud indeed of their contribution. Mary Gardner of Providence, Mary Roberts, Editor of the Journal, Adda Eldredge, our President, Nina Gage, now President of the International Council, and many others, presented papers which will be of continued value, both historically and through their vision of the possibilities of our field and the road over which we must go if we wish to realize these possibilities.

Miss Noyes, as Chairman of the Committee on the Amendment of the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Council, not only did a masterly piece of work, but at the request of Baroness Mannerheim she and Miss Eldredge conducted the tedious and diffi-

cult procedure of presenting the proposed amendments and carrying their consideration to a successful termination. The Baroness did not feel that her knowledge of English, which was really extraordinarily good, could deal so effectively and rapidly with the teasing problem of amendments as could persons who were speaking in their mother tongue, and further who had worked so intimately as had Miss Noyes with the questions. Miss Eldredge, who we all know as a clear, quick thinker, presided admirably, and the whole affair went through with precision and dispatch.

One finds it difficult in attempting to present this varied and unusual experience to determine which episode to give the greatest consideration. There was the dinner on the first night at which Mrs. Strong, former matron of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, the hospital in Scotland that established the first preliminary course, and who celebrated her eighty-fourth birthday during that week, gave a remarkable response when made an honorary member of the Finnish society. There was the lunch given by the younger association at which the beautiful international nurses' song, one of their members had written for the purpose was first presented. There was the evening meeting when the various new countries were enrolled, and which was the closing episode of my own visit, and therefore perhaps most deeply impressed upon my memory.



National Theatre Helsinfors, flying flags of the countries
represented in the International Council of Nurses.
November 1, 1925.

The ceremony of receiving the new organizations was an exceedingly touching one, because of the arrangement which provided that a representative from some older country, one with whom the new country had some intimate association, was the introducer of the new society. None of us I am sure will ever forget the very lovely young representative from Poland, a pupil of our own Miss Bridges of St. Louis, and a graduate of Teachers' College. Nor the emotion

of Madame Chapital, who was the representative of the French Association, which had struggled so long for standards which would permit of enrollment. Again Mrs. Strong in a few eloquent sentences welcomed our Irish sisters.

One cannot close without mentioning the exceeding loveliness of what was generally designated as the White Nurses' Chorus. The Finns are passionately fond of music, and we had on numerous occasions a very beautiful program made possible by the choirs, one of men and the White Nurses, and the other entirely from the nursing group. It was not only beautiful for the ear, but these young women were exceedingly charming in appearance and in their white costumes and quaint caps made a lovely picture.

When we sailed from the shores of Helsingfors, we felt that wherever the International Council finds its expression, whether through the old or the new organizations, the spirit and standards of nursing will be secure.

ANNIE W. GOODRICH.

CLUB HOUSE AFFAIRS

Since our last issue was published, there have been many changes in the personnel of the Club Officers. Miss Miller resigned her position early in the Fall but remained until her successor Miss Nellie McCrea, Class 1901, was appointed. Associated with Miss McCrea are Miss Burroughs, Miss Vera Playter, with Miss Wood, Registrar. This group of New York Hospital graduates are now at the helm and we wish them the best of luck in their new venture and would express the hope that every nurse in the Club and out of it will realize that the problems of such a Club are many and varied, taxing the patience and demanding utmost tact to make the place a happy one for all concerned, and yet keep in mind that our funds must be conserved in order to plan for the upkeep of the building and furnishings. Those of us who have studied the situation, know that the hours of the officers are most irregular and often trying. This cannot be avoided as our budget will not allow of an extra worker. But, if we all realize this and in our every thought and act show that we appreciate that fact, and when things seem to be other than we would expect, just cry a halt on our criticism and, consider whether our point of view may be incorrect due to the angle from which we are judging and always give those in charge the benefit of the doubt until we are sure they are not right. Then when we feel we have a real grievance (which God grant we wont have) put it in writing and send to the Board of Directors whom you have elected and who are responsible for the management of the Club and in whom you should have enough confidence to abide by their decision without undue unhappiness. We are all of the same family, and being so should forgive each other's shortcomings and aim to be constructive in our criticism (if we make any) rather than destructive. Let's pull together.

While on the subject of the Club House and the problems which it presents, as well as the work which falls on the Executive Com-

mittee and especially the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the writer cannot let this opportunity pass without expressing in no small way the excellent work of Miss Clara Greene, Chairman during the last year. Those who have followed closely the exceptional problems which have been presented and watched the careful way in which said problems have been handled, could not but recognize the faithful work of Miss Greene. Morning, noon and night, her services have been in demand and she has always responded graciously, giving each question careful consideration; consulting her Committee when necessary and in cases where she did not wish to bear the responsibility of an individual decisions—often setting aside her own personal pleasures to fulfil her obligations to her Alumnae; never making a hasty decision, and always seeking the opinion of others conversant with such problems, before arriving at a conclusion. Such service is unique, and it only seems fitting that we, in this issue, convey to Miss Clara Greene the sincere appreciation of the Alumnae for her conscientious and faithful work during the past year.

We also feel constrained to include Miss Anne Reutinger in this expression and recognition of good service. Those who have followed the tremendous amount of correspondence which last year's problems entailed and realized that this fell on Miss Reutinger, cannot fail to see that with women of the type of Miss Greene and Miss Reutinger at the helm our "sometimes-wobbly ship" always manages to weather the storm and put into port, perhaps battered, but still in the service.

Our sincere gratitude to both.

ANNA B. DUNCAN.

REGISTRY NEWS

The Registry Committee has held two informal meetings with the private duty nurses for the purpose of clearing up, as far as possible, misunderstandings in regard to rules governing the Registry, and to bring about better co-operation between the Registrar and the private duty nurse.

At the second meeting held in November we endeavored, with the aid of Miss Minnie H. Jordan, to form some plan to shorten the hours of the private duty nurses working at the Hospital and this plan was submitted to the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital at their regular meeting.

It was decided by the Governors that the private duty nurse's fee was to be increased to \$7.00 per day after January 1st, 1926, the hours remaining unchanged.

The idea of the Registry Committee is to adjust various registry problems for both the Nurse and the Registrar, and it is hoped that we will be able, with their co-operation, to make satisfactory adjustments when complaints are brought to us.

ETHEL B. GOEDE,
Chairman Pro. Tem. of Registry Committee.

WHO'S WHO COLUMN



MISS ANNIE W. GOODRICH, D.Sc., R.N.

Annie W. Goodrich began her nurse's life in the New York Hospital from which she was graduated in 1893.

Her professional career has been phenomenal in variety of experience—a quality of pioneer enthusiasm, and a capacity for hard work in whatsoever field of endeavor claimed her. To these cardinal

virtues have been vouchsafed great gifts—an inspirational genius in teaching and in public speaking. An appended list of her accomplishments as teacher, organizer and administrator indicate her range, but her sphere of influence has gone far beyond her direct personal reach. In a way, Miss Goodrich symbolizes a social philosophy which has become an integral part of her own method and which has permeated her work.

Miss Goodrich has demonstrated an unusual ability to adapt teaching to the realities of life while cherishing the highest academic aspirations. Her accomplishments have been extraordinary but they have not surprised those who have been in a position to appraise the unusual quality of her contributions. Whether on platform or in committee or in conference, she inevitably suggests a torch, a spirit afire and an apparently frail physique emphasizes this flaming attribute as the symbol of her genius. Though she seems to burn steadily she appears never to be consumed.

Thirty-two years in action, with a record of breadth, precision and instinctive unselfishness, gives assurance to whatever enterprise Miss Goodrich may venture. That indefinable thing "personality" has made radiant the hard work of an essentially hard worker and those who know her, see no diminution of the ardor or quality which has been so steadfastly reflected in the achievements that lie behind.

The following presents the positions she has held in chronological order, to which should be added the call to Yale University, May, 1923, to establish, as Dean of the University School of Nursing, the first independent University School of its kind:

1893—1900. Superintendent of Nursing, New York Post Graduate Hospital.

1900—1902. Superintendent of Nursing, St. Luke's Hospital.

1902—1907. Superintendent of Nursing, New York Hospital.

1904—1913. Lecturer, Teachers College.

1906—1907. President, National League of Nursing Education.

1907—1910. General Superintendent Training School for Nurses, Bellevue and Allied Hospitals.

—1909. President of American Federation of Nurses.

1910—1914. Inspector of Nurses' Training Schools, New York State Education Department.

—1914. Assistant Professor, Department of Nursing and Health, Teachers College, Columbia University.

1917—1923. Director of Nursing, Henry Street Settlement.

1918—1919. Dean of Army School of Nursing.

1915—1917. President, American Nurses' Association.

Mount Holyoke College gave Miss Goodrich an Honorary Degree in 1921 and at the close of the World War, the War Department awarded her the Distinguished Service Medal.

LILLIAN D. WALD.

(Courtesy of National League for Nursing Education.)

HEALTH LESSONS IN ARMENIA

You have asked me to tell you something about the Health work in Armenia, which I organized while Superintendent of Schools at Severski Barracks. This work grew out of an attempt to change some of the habits of the school children. The school rooms were always smelly, and the children were most unclean in their habits, and as no Health lessons were given to children in the Near East Schools at that time, I thought I would try to introduce some simple notions of hygiene to the children.

There were nearly five thousand children in my schools, and there was no one to teach Health, and none of the native teachers had ever heard of such a thing. So I began with the teachers, giving them weekly lectures on hygiene, which they were to pass on to the children. The doctor which I hired was not liked by the teachers; they felt that it was childlike to listen to lectures on the care of the teeth, and so on, and most of all, they resented his accent, as he spoke Russian with a strong Jewish twang. After about twenty lessons were given, I gave it up as a failure, and decided that I must try a new method, before I could hope for results.

Previous letters to America had brought me all the latest publications on Health teaching. There was nothing else to do but to write a course of study, adapted to the mentality of the children, and suited to the country and customs. The Armenian children are counted as very studious pupils, as they always learn all lessons by rote, in the accepted Oriental fashion. I felt that the lessons should be more visual and should consist in doing things that would change habits; there was a splendid opportunity to use the Model Village as a laboratory, to work out the experiment. The Model Village, itself, was another experiment.

My original idea was to build a house or two so that the girls could learn some of the housekeeping which would be required of them, once they were married. The few houses grew to a small village of six houses, each with its barn, and animals, cared for by the girls themselves, in connection with the agricultural and animal husbandry lessons, and the practical work in the twenty-eight acre truck farm. The orphanage work, making beds, scrubbing floors, and washing, in huge barracks, did not approximate in any way the life situations the girls would meet later, when married. In a country where there is no work for a woman, outside of the home, all women naturally marry. We were very glad to have our girls marry, and young men came hundreds of miles to choose them, trying to get one who had been born in the same village or district as they did.

The Model Village had been laid out around a small park with flowers, and young trees, and the houses had been built by the orphan boys, in the Armenian fashion, but with windows, and with the animals shut off from the main part of the house, which is not the case in the regular Armenian village. The animals consisted of a horse,

a donkey, a hundred sheep, a few goats, some pigs, and a few cows, and a water buffalo. There was a small dairy, three barns and some bees. The handwork consisted of carding, spinning and weaving, rug making, dyeing and cooking.



Boys making a house in Model Village.

Here, then, was the workshop, ready to hand. We set aside a Health room for the lecture, and lined the walls with American posters, and native home made exhibits. The lessons were written in the order of the habits we wished to change. First we began with the fly. Armenia has one of the highest percentages of trachoma to be found in any Eastern country. At one time, the greater part of the children had either trachoma, or favus, or both. Typhoid fever is common there, and there is cholera every summer, in Town. There are no regular toilets in the villages, and the animals are housed in one of the rooms near where the family sleeps. For our fly story we had a very large drawing, showing the fly in all stages of development. Then we had a baby doll, in an Armenian cradle, a man, sick in a bed, a garbage can, made out of a condensed milk can, with a little cover, a glass of milk, and a broken horse, who was supposed to be dead, and a fly, about four inches long, suspended from a stick by a black thread. In the story the fly went from the dead horse to the sick man, and then on the clean baby, and so on. We asked the children what we could do about it. They knew that the garbage can could be covered, as the barracks used similar cans; they also knew that, in the villages, where there were no cans, the garbage could be burned or buried, and so on, throughout the story.

After the lesson was over, we suggested a trip around the Model Village, to see if our Village was kept as it should be. First, we visited the stables, where flies like to breed, to see if the stables were clean; then we went into the Village dairy, to see if the milk was kept covered, to protect it from any stray flies; then we visited the garbage cans and toilets, on the Post, and the next lesson, the children told what they saw, and suggested changes.



Where the Health Lessons were given.

We went on in this way through Home Hygiene, and Personal Hygiene, and the course called for Home Nursing and Baby Care, as well. The girls were delighted with the work, and were fascinated with the drawings, and the inspection trips. We went into Town to see how the butchers kept their shops—very badly, incidently—and made a trip to a nearby village, making a list of things that we would change, if we lived there.

I was not able to give many of the lessons myself, but I was fortunate in having an Armenian teacher who spoke excellent English, and together we went through the method of teaching each lesson, with the result in habit changing that we hoped for. A Russian artist made many posters to order, drawing real Armenian little girls, in their native surroundings. When I left the Caucasus, about four work showed in the way the Village was kept clean. The lessons made a remarkable change in the general cleanliness and orderliness of things, and the girls were very eager to learn.

It has been my experience, as I have watched American nurses, hundred of the older girls were taking these courses, and it was planned to extend the lessons to all the children. The fruit of the teaching abroad, that one is apt to forget the country one is in, and teach things which are necessary in America, but impossible to carry out, abroad. The test we used in our lessons was, "Is it really possible to live as we say one should live, in this country?" If it were not possible, we faced the issue, and told the children what they should do, admitting that it was impossible to do so, under the given conditions.



The cooking class in Model Village.

The picture of these girls, eager to be well and strong and healthy, and anxious to learn the clean, better ways of living, is one of pleasantest memories I have of my work abroad.

PAULINE JORDAN.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Congratulations to Mrs. Doctor Paul Baldwin Shuey (nee Miss Amy Gildersleeve, 1921) on the birth of a daughter, November 9th, Virginia Gildersleeve Shuey.

MARRIAGES

Miss Pauline Jordan (1914) was married October 2nd to Mr. Karl Lott Rankin, 57 West 12th Street, New York.

Miss Ruth Telford Maxwell (1925) was married Monday, November 2nd, at Ridgewood, N. J.

Miss Lillian Wilson (1909) married at the "Little Church Round the Corner," on November 10th, to Mr. John Robert Tolar, and will be at home after December 10th, at "Rose Hill," Fayetteville, N. C.

Miss Ruby Riddell (1904) to Doctor John Tripp at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, on October 21st.

Miss Velma V. Vollette (1922) at Grace Church, October 17th, to Mr. Clesson S. Cummings. At home 117 West 13th.

DEATHS

Miss Bessie Sutcliffe, sister of our Miss Irene Sutcliffe passed away on Sunday, November 29th, after a long illness. We extend our deepest sympathy to Miss Sutcliffe in her bereavement.

EDITORIAL

As is usual at this time of the year there is one Committee that should have our deepest sympathy, namely, the Nominating Committee. Why?

Experience has shown that a very large majority of our members are unwilling to allow their name to be placed before the Alumnae for office. This may be for various reasons, some good, some otherwise. However, the fact is that members of the committee are obliged to work long and late before they can fill the slate with desirable members in whom they feel we can safely place the responsibilities of the work for another year.

Just what does it mean to an individual on the Board of Directors. It means (outside perhaps the Executive Committee who must always be "on the job") attending the meeting of the Board the first Thursday of each month, except in the summer months, and discussing and solving the problems of the current month. If they are unable to attend the Alumnae meeting the following Thursday they are obliged to do so. Is this too much to ask of any nurse, no matter what her duties are? Is it fair to refuse to act for one year for your own Alumnae, and calmly accept the services of the same groups of women who have carried the responsibilities year after year? The writer has always felt that the younger graduates should be elected Directors, one or two at a time, and in this way learn the workings thereof and be groomed for the higher and more responsible positions on the Board of Directors. Summed up the whole matter is, that we older members will "pass on," (being mere mortals) and there should be trained members to take up the work and find themselves in a position to serve their Alumnae Association with credit, and at the same time feel that it is not only a privilege but a pleasure to do so.

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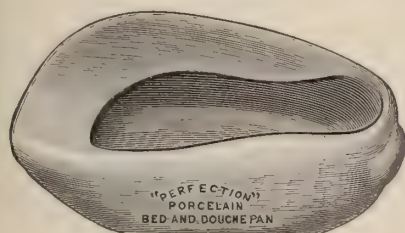
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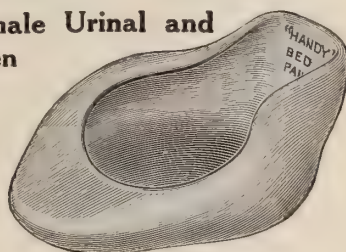
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SUMMARY OF ALUMNAE MEETINGS

JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH

JANUARY

The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association was held in January, and the annual reports of the Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar and Club House were read and accepted.

Miss Sutcliffe reported that the Pension Fund had remained unchanged, with the exception of accrued interest.

Thirteen nurses who were ill at Christmas time were remembered with gifts from the Sutcliffe Fund.

The Credential Committee presented the following names for membership in the Alumnae Association:

Miss Rose Farmer
Miss Naomi Chalmers
Miss Irene Wallace
Miss Margaret DeWitt
Miss Theresa Sanman

The motion was passed to admit these nurses on payment of dues.

Miss Jouffret reported on a special meeting which had been called by Miss Gibney, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of District No. 13 in reference to the "Nurse Practice Act". It was decided at this meeting that each Alumnae Association should be urged to become familiar with this law, and be prepared for any legislative emergency which might arise. Each Association was advised to call a special meeting and provide a special speaker to explain the Act.

The following officers were elected:

President—Miss Anna Duncan.

Vice-President—Miss R. Lee Cromwell.

Recording Secretary—Miss Jessie King.

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Miss Nellie Rough.

Miss Sarah Gowan.

A vote of thanks was extended to the retiring officers.

FEBRUARY

After hearing the regular reports of the meeting, Miss Golding announced a gift of one hundred dollars from Mr. Astor, seventy-five of which was put in the Relief Fund, and twenty-five in the Fund for the Nurse in Need.

A letter of resignation was read from Mrs. Maurice Foster, and was accepted with regret.

The motion was carried that a Bazaar be held at the Hospital, to raise funds for new furniture for the Club.

It was moved that a letter of sympathy be sent to Miss McDougall for the loss of her father and mother, to Miss Muller for the loss of her mother, and to Miss Kinney for the loss of her mother and sister.

Miss Durell of the City Hospital spoke on the Nurse Practice Act, and was given a rising vote of thanks.

MARCH

A tentative report of the proceeds of the dance held at the Club House was given as forty dollars on hand, and some tickets not yet reported upon.

It was moved that all New York Hospital nurses attending the Convention at Atlantic City be appointed as regular delegates with power to vote. Miss M. Jordan, Miss C. B. Hay, Miss Sarah Gowan and Miss E. Golding and Miss Florence Johnston plan to attend the Convention, and will therefore act as delegates.

It was moved that a letter of sympathy be sent to Miss Amy Paget for the loss of her mother, and to Mr. and Mrs. Multer for the loss of their son.

NEW YORK COUNTY NURSES' ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the New York County Nurses' Association was held on March 2, at the Central Club. The reports presented covered the Credential, Eligibility, Press and Publications, and Public Health Committees. The Nurses' Relief Fund reported twenty nurses in New York State as receiving aid, and a total of two hundred and seventy nurses aided since 1914. Miss Golding announced her resignation from this Committee.

Miss Gibney spoke for the Legislative Committee, and felt that the present bill should remain unchanged. The Ethics, Finance and Auditing Committee were also heard from.

The Registry Committee reported on the first questionnaire on private duty, and announced a second questionnaire, to cover the State. It was hoped that the results of this second questionnaire would be presented at the June meeting.

After the roll call, Miss Burgess addressed the meeting, stressing the importance of the registry question, and making a plea for the enlarging of the opportunities of the Central Registry, to make it more useful to the community.

The officers chosen by ballot were:

President—Elizabeth Burgess, Roosevelt.

Vice-President—Agnes Gibney, N. Y. Post-Graduate.

Recording Secretary—Mary Creed, St. Vincent.

Corresponding Secretary—Emma Lindheimer, Lenox Hill.

Treasurer—Katherine Steele, Metropolitan.

Two Directors, to serve for three years—Marion Brockway, Manhattan and Bronx; Alta E. Dines, Manhattan and Bronx.

NEW ORGANIZATION PLANNED

A meeting to discuss plans to extend the usefulness of reputable registries was held at the instance of Mrs. William Church Osborn, on the sixteenth of March. The superintendents of the Training Schools of Presbyterian, St. Luke's, New York Hospital and Bellevue attended the meeting, as well as a representative from Roosevelt Hospital. Representatives of registries, alumnae associations and private duty nurses were also present.

It was suggested that reputable registries should form an organization to protect the public and the physicians using nurses' registries. It was felt that such an organization could do a great deal of good by informing physicians and others of the desire of the registries to serve the public, by listing the prices that such registries allow their nurses to charge, and detailing other information which might serve to protect the public from unofficial and commercialized registries which do not hold the public good as their highest aim. This question was referred back to the various hospital alumnae for further discussion.

MEETINGS

The next Alumnae meeting, to be held on April eighth, will have as speaker Miss Caroline Robinson, of the class of 1908. Miss Robinson has recently returned to this country after five years' work in the Balkans.

The following Alumnae meetings will be held on May 13th and June 10th, respectively.

The next meeting of the N. Y. County Nurses' Association will be held on the first of June.

HEALTH CONGRESS

The biennial meeting of the American Nurses' Association will be held in conjunction with thirteen other agencies, at Atlantic City from May 17th to May 22nd. Many prominent physicians are scheduled to speak to the Congress, among them being Dr. Winslow of Columbia, Dr. Vincent of the Rockefeller Foundation and Dr. Wilbur of Leland Stanford University. The nurses' program calls for two days of joint meetings with the Congress, and two days devoted to nursing subjects, including the Private Duty section, the Legislative and Educational sections, the State and National Red Cross reports, and a conference on Publicity. The session on Mental Hygiene and the business sessions complete the program.

Those who plan to attend are advised to secure hotel reservations at once. A list of available hotels, and directions for securing reduced railroad rates can be found in the March *American Journal of Nursing*.

WHO'S WHO COLUMN



LILLIAN D. WALD, LL.D., R.N.

Among nurses distinguished as pioneers, Lillian D. Wald stands as an embodiment of that social and civic genius of which every age has had a few shining examples. Founder and leader of the Henry Street Settlement in New York City her career is unique in modern nursing history. When her training in the New York Hospital was ended, she knew nothing of district nursing, then so-called, or social settlements. With eager yet vague purpose "to be of use some way or somehow," she began to study medicine to supplement the classwork of the training school. Called upon to teach home nursing to East Side mothers, she discovered the conditions of tenement house life, and was irresistibly drawn to make her home far down within the foreign quarters of the city. A classmate went with her. Miss Wald wrote of the venture, "We were to live in the neighborhood as nurses, identify ourselves with it socially and contribute to it our citizenship. That plan contained in embryo all the extended and diversified interests of the Settlement group today." The vital difference between the work thus begun and the district nursing then existent lay in this social identification.

The pioneers soon attracted others and year by year was built

up the visiting nurse service which now covers the three city boroughs. As Miss Wald's first impulse was original, so have been her plans and policies. The basis of skilled nursing remained, but around it a directive energy dealt with other factors of human well-being. "My thought was first of the block and from that naturally to national and international relationships," wrote Miss Wald. The bent of her mind was to epitomize an incident or an individual problem so that it became of universal significance. The experiments of the house were to be community undertakings some day, and often did this come true. It was so with the public school nursing which she began in 1902 with her own funds and staff, and which became the example of a municipalized service. In national affairs she originated the idea of the Federal Children's Bureau and internationally is known as an interpreter in daily life of the principle of "Human Brotherhood". Only a few of the associations in which she takes active part can be mentioned.

Miss Wald was the first President of the National Organization for Public Health Nursing. She was actively engaged in the organization of the Red Cross Town and Country Nursing Service. She has been and still is a member of many important committees such as the National Child Labor Committee. In 1912 she received the degree of LL.D. from Mt. Holyoke College; she has lectured at the New York School of Philanthropy and at Teachers' College; is the author of "The House on Henry Street" and many articles, and is a member of the editorial board of "*The Nation's Health*".

The most recent public honor conferred on Miss Wald was "The Better Times" medal for Distinguished Service, as an expression of her outstanding service to the cause of social betterment of New York City.

Miss Wald's personality is fascinating. Poised and steady in judgment, of rare perception and insight, with a care-free vivacity in conversation, her character is one of sunshine, radiating lavishly without effort or exactions, and evoking the best from those about her. She was born in Ohio and reared in Rochester, New York.

L. L. D.

Courtesy of New York League of Nursing Education.

PUBLIC HONOR FOR MISS WALD

Miss Lillian Wald, of Henry Street, recently received a medal for Distinguished Social Service, conferred by the "*Better Times*" magazine. This medal was designed to honor the three individuals, who, in the opinion of the Committee on Awards, had rendered during the past five years the most distinguished social service to the city of New York. The members of the Committee on Award were Lady Armstrong, Cornelius Bliss, George J. Gillespie, Charles E. Hughes, Mrs. Willard Parker, Jr., James H. Post, Nathan Straus, Sr., Felix Warburg, and Robert de Forest, Chairman.

The medals were presented at the "Better Times" dinner, at the Hotel Pennsylvania on February 24th, before 1,500 people. The other recipients were Homer Folks, and the Reverend Robert Keegan. Miss Wald, who unfortunately was unable to be present, received the following citation:

"Lillian D. Wald, social worker, nurse and publicist, founder of Henry Street Settlement and of the visiting nurse system which bears its name, and originator of the Federal Children's Bureau, and of the municipal school nurse. During the past five years Miss Wald's leadership has developed the public health nursing organization which she founded into a vast city-wide extra-mural hospital, the records of which constitute a valuable contribution to scientific knowledge. Its methods set a high standard for similar institutions all over the world, and its service to humanity cannot be measured."

MISS WALD'S VISIT TO RUSSIA

When we, as nurses, think of public health nursing, sooner or later we think of Miss Wald. Originator of the modern conception of community nursing, it was especially fitting that she should be invited to go to Russia, to appraise the public health activities of



Out of one thousand children in Russia who died under one year of age, 175 were Mahommedans, 306 were Russians and 140 were Jews. The large number of deaths is the result of giving suckers to babies, and of feeding them with porridge and cow's milk, especially in summer-time. A small number of deaths depends on nursing and good care.

that country. Professor Lillian Hudson and other American women interested in health work and education, were also invited by the Russian Department of Health, and made the trip with her.

"It is very difficult," said Miss Wald, "to give a picture of Russia today to one who is not acquainted with pre-war conditions. The country is so vast, and there is the history of civil war, and revolution, counter-revolution and blockade to bewilder the student. In these days of reconstruction, changes and adjustments take place very rapidly, varying from year to year, almost from week to week. What interested us most, however, was the deep concern

for the health of all children, as shown in the Russian scheme of Public Health Administration.

"We found the 'protection of Mother and Child Bureau' under the direction of a very capable woman physician, Dr. Vera Pavlovna Lebedeva. Her department included the protection of pregnant women, provision for general maternity care, homes for mothers, consultation facilities, nurseries and children's homes. It was she who planned the demonstration centers and exhibits which are used as models for the whole country. These exhibits included striking posters, pictures and postcards, as well as traveling exhibits for rural areas."

Miss Wald was particularly impressed by the attempt to lower the high rate of infant mortality. "One day nursery in a textile industry provided for a thorough physical examination of all the children, and their mothers were allowed to stay at home with full pay if the children were even slightly ill. Pregnant women were allowed their wages before and after child birth, and mothers



"Why do you drink my milk? Doesn't your mother nurse you?"

were allowed time off to nurse their babies. Dr. Lebedeva's program does not as yet reach all the women of Russia, since in the country districts only 10% of the women come under medical care at child-birth, although in Moscow 60% of all births take place in hospitals."

The department supports a training school, assisted by the American Quakers, for nurses, specialists in the care of mothers and children. The women of the people are preferred for these courses, as it is believed that they can best carry the instruction they have received to the peasant women. Two years are allowed for academic and professional training in this field. The public

health nurse, as we know her, has not yet been introduced into the health work, but the need for such a trained person has been felt in the larger cities, and a program is being formulated for future realization.

"When we reached Samara," continued Miss Wald, "we saw the evidences of famine, and its effect on the children. Some of the babies were in a pitiful condition, from lack of proper food and care. Although the hospitals and homes were clean, the children showed the lack of skilled nursing care. We also saw most tragic conditions, recognizable as the result of starvation."

The care of the children, however, is only a part of the health program. Convalescent homes have been opened on large estates, and these are available in the Crimea, the Caucasus, and near the large cities. There is a preventorium for tuberculosis in Moscow which compares most favorably with such institutions here in this country. The permanent exhibit was thorough and complete.

"When our visit was over," Miss Wald concluded, "we were asked for frank criticisms and suggestions, which we were glad to give. Russia faces an unparalled problem, but remembering her long wars, her famines, her poverty and the long ages of illiteracy of her people, the achievement of the last few years in the field of public health is extraordinary."

THE BAZAAR

Plans are getting under way for a Bazaar, to be held at the Hospital, on November 30th and December 1st. The proceeds will be used to buy new furniture for the Club. The Bazaar will be the third of its kind, and the married nurses will be encouraged to help and give as much time as possible to make the affair a success in every way. A tea for the married nurses was planned for the twenty-fourth of March, to discuss ways and means. There will be a souvenir program, with the description of the various tables. There will also be a Training School table. December 1st, the last day, will be Governor's Day.

Those who are in charge of the management of the Bazaar might be interested in a new book, published by *Harper's*, "Making Your Bazaar Pay." It claims to give practical advice on every step, beginning with the formation of Committees.

This Bazaar will give us all a chance to show our appreciation of what the Club has meant to us—either as a permanent home, or as a stopping-off place, from time to time. There will be interesting work for all, before the preparations are finally completed.

HOSPITAL SECTION

SOCIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT

To those who are fortunate enough to study and work with the New York Hospital Social Service Department many opportunities are offered. Aside from the rendering of service to the needy, which is every nurses' privilege, no matter what special branch of the nursing world she may be working in, there is a chance to see how the "other half" lives, to study and understand them, the opportunity to gain a realization of what real social service means—a knowledge of how large a field it is, to learn how the many different agencies, organizations, institutions, etc., though on different scales, and perhaps functioning a little differently, all co-operate, and are striving toward the same goal.

Visits in the homes teach the student how to approach all classes, races and creeds of people, how to cope with difficult situations, how best to help them solve their problems and aid them. The injury done by misguided and freely given charity is strongly impressed on the beginner.

Visits to the city welfare boards, institutions for the sick and needy, health departments, courts, private and public social agencies and charity organizations afford a glimpse of the machinery of each one, and an appreciation of how important their work is.

Instruction and work in the clinics, (children's, tuberculosis, asthma, syphilis) to show how the Social Service Department functions through them, by giving treatment, hospital care, preventive and follow up work, and instruction in the homes of the patients.

Lectures are attended on branches of Social Service work and on health work as it is carried on today by eminent doctors and nurses, which are of value and interest to the student, as they give her a broader viewpoint and increased knowledge.

(Written by two student nurses who have just completed their three months' course in our Social Service Department.)

ALICE V. IBBOTSON, R. N.

PERSONAL NEWS

Ruth Birdsall '09 after spending twelve years at the Ethical Culture School in New York City, where she was its first School Nurse, has resigned her position and has taken the position of Instructor in Hygiene at the Curtis High School. Her post at the Ethical Culture School has been filled by Frances Cobban, '06. Miss Birdsall's present address is P. O. Box 242, Bay Terrace, Great Kills, S. I.

Miss Emma Mary Powell (1909) has sold her new establish-

ment to Mrs. Clara Andia, who plans to carry on the work. Miss Powell will return to private duty nursing.

Miss Clara Green's sister, from Cairo, N. Y., has been visiting her at the Club.

Mrs. Talcott's daughter, who is in the St. Luke's Hospital Training School, is convalescing after an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. W. D. Wilsey, father of Miss Marietta Wilsey, suffered a fractured hip in an accident down town. The ambulance was to have taken him to an emergency hospital, but he insisted upon going to the New York Hospital, and finally had to take a taxi to get there as the ambulance could not leave its district. He is doing very well. While her father has been in the hospital, Miss Wilsey's mother, whose home is in Montclair, has stayed at the Club. Mr. Wilsey is a well-known friend of the nurses, particularly in legislative difficulties, and we all hope for a speedy recovery.

Miss Olive McDougall (1907) has returned from her home in Gault, Ontario. She went home before Christmas on account of the illness of her father, and she had the great misfortune to lose her father and mother within two days of each other. We all extend her our sincerest sympathy.

Miss Bess Wilkison went South with a patient, and remained about three weeks.

Miss Sarai Woodward Alexander is expected to leave Florida soon on her way North.

Miss Grace Rogers is in Palm Beach with a patient.

Miss Weaver also took a patient to Palm Beach, and is now staying at the Ponce de Leon, in St. Augustine.

Miss Hornby hopes to visit the Club this Spring. Her friends will be delighted to welcome her.

Miss Seeley, Miss Fraser and Miss Dinehart are among the nurses recovering from severe bronchial colds which are prevalent at this time.

Miss McCrea has done much to improve the conditions at the Club. Furniture is being renovated and new pieces acquired. The improvement is very noticeable. The money obtained from the dance will go to buy a sadly needed new rug.

Miss Annie Earl returns to the Club from her home in Jamaica, West Indies, on April the twenty-second.

Miss A. Richardson is now on the office staff at the Club.

Miss Seeley had the misfortune to fall on the ice and break her wrist.

Miss Esther Anderson has taken up Social Service work at the Babies' Hospital, in this city.

Miss Bonnell, Miss A. Woods, Miss Fennemore, Miss Kneally, Miss Gillies and Miss Nudel have also been ill with bad colds.

GRADUATING CLASS ENTERTAINED

The Alumnae Association gave a dinner to the eighteen graduates of the class of 1926, before the Alumnae meeting, the eleventh of March. Miss Sutcliffe, Miss Jordan and Miss McCrea were the guests of honor. The tables were prettily trimmed for the occasion, and favors for the guests afforded considerable amusement.

After the dinner the girls were shown over the Club, and were made to feel that they would find a warm welcome awaiting them, when they were ready to leave the hospital. The guests remained for the Alumnae meeting, and agreed on leaving that they had had a most enjoyable evening.

UNEXPECTED DIVIDENDS!

THE STORY OF ONE WOMAN'S SUCCESSFUL INVESTMENTS

Dividends immediately bring to mind Wall Street and fat checks; make one think of men and money. This is a story of a successful woman, a woman who has invested wisely and safely, so safely that as soon as the investment is made she forgets all about it and doesn't think of it again until all unexpectedly a dividend turns up. They have a queer habit of turning up at the most unexpected times and the queerest of places, and they pile up a fortune for the lucky investor.

OUT OF POVERTY—RICHES

Miss Isabelle Walton, nurse in charge of the out-patient department of the New York Hospital for the last twenty-four years, has had little time to open the mail that is piled on her desk, but she guards it with a watchful eye and hoards it for that quiet hour when she can sit down and revel in its riches. For Miss Walton is extremely wealthy, and, strangely enough, her riches come from the poor. The poor, the sick poor, in whom she has invested her time, her energies and her sympathies since she began her career, pay handsomely, Miss Walton insists. They pay in gratitude and affection, but best of all is the dividend which says: "I am well and happy. New York Hospital helped me to get on my feet. I shall never forget your kindness."

Imagine, if you can, 20,000 ailing human beings, women, men and children, all of them poor, each with a social as well as a

medical problem, and all of them approaching the sunny-faced silver haired woman in immaculate white, confident that here is someone who will understand and help, and not being disappointed.

Twenty thousand sick poor came to the out-patient department of the New York Hospital during 1924 and more than 720,000 to the fifty-seven members of the United Hospital Fund, which in its annual drive collects funds for distribution to these institutions so as to enable them to increase and enlarge their work among these patients.

It is scarcely safe, and certainly most unwise to suggest to Miss Walton that hers is a thankless job or that the poor unfortunates who come to her are unappreciative. To such a question she is apt to reply indignantly:

"There are no more dead beats or people lacking appreciation among the poor than there are among any other class; fewer, in fact. Why, I could talk all day telling you stories of how hard some of our patients work in order to pay their little mite to the hospital, or show their thanks in some other way. One old Irish woman, a laundress, saved and scrimped for a year after being restored to health here, and then brought in five dollars as a gift to the hospital to show her appreciation of the care we had given her. Some of our people make slippers or knit sweaters after their day's work is done, and bring them to us to give to other unfortunates. In fact, I find a genuine desire to help and a very real gratitude on the part of most of our patients.

"We have no iron-clad rules in handling cases of this sort," Miss Walton explained. "We try to be human when dealing with human beings, and you cannot make rules that will fit every case."

FROM EVERY RACE AND CREED

It is this humanness, this fine, ready sympathy in Miss Walton which has made the long procession of children and men and women who have come to her during the years quick to recognize, and appreciate and love her. It has sent them away from the hospital, when cured, fast friends who do not easily forget. That is why she has a wealth of friends and well-wishers, and that is why her dividends, payable in friendship and happiness, are so large.

—*Reprinted from Daily Telegraph.*

FIRST YEAR OF SERVICE AT NURSES' HOUSE

The Nurses' House, a convalescent home for sick and tired nurses, just completed its first year of service. It was established

through a legacy given by Miss Emily Howland Bourne to the A. I. C. P. for this purpose, and is being operated by this organization in co-operation with the New York County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

A total of three hundred and twenty-one nurses have already enjoyed the hospitality of the House, which is situated on the Merrick Road, near Babylon, Long Island. Of the guests, two hundred and sixty-one were nurses from New York City; the others were from eight different states. Forty-three were students, some of them from foreign countries.

Every available bed was used during the summer and there were many applicants who could not be accommodated. Next summer it is planned to provide additional week-end accommodations in a large and well-built stable, uniquely adapted for this purpose.

In commenting on the first year's work, Mrs. August Belmont, Chairman of the Nurses' House Committee, said:

"The Home has met a genuine need, and never in my opinion has a legacy more successfully carried out the wishes of the donor. The house and grounds are beautiful, the spirit of the place healing to mind and body. The nurses love it and are proud of it. One and all who need the care and comfort that the home provides are made to feel 'You are welcome—you are most welcome to our house'."

FROM DR. S. PARKES CADMAN'S DAILY COLUMN IN THE HERALD-TRIBUNE

QUESTION

I am a registered nurse and wish to say that some nurses have become so puffed up by the artificial inflation of their educational system as arranged and executed by the regents in certain states that they have lost touch with the humanitarian side of their work:

They feel that they are protected monopolists. They suffer from white collaritis. They are drawn away from the bedside. They shun fatigue and odors. Instead of combing the hair of patients, they tell them to get it bobbed.

People in out-of-the-way districts have great difficulty in getting nurses. They prefer to stay in the cities and refuse cases calling for long hours.

Will you say something to arouse the community to the neces-

sity of teaching nurses self-denial and faithfulness in disagreeable tasks?

ANSWER

One would prefer to praise and honor the splendid service rendered by nurses rather than criticize them.

Naturally, with the general tendency in the community to consider one's own comfort and to avoid excessive fatigue and long hours, nurses expect better and easier treatment today than they have hitherto received.

When the workingman is striking for an eight-hour day and higher wages, the nurse can hardly be expected to remain content to toil from ten to fourteen hours a day for a modest salary.

Society is beginning to feel as never before the value of the nurse. Because of this she is on the way to becoming a privileged person. It may be hoped that she will not abuse this privilege so long as we set her an example of self-sacrifice and moderation in our own life and practice.

Few of us are yet in a position to criticize the nurse, for in our daily life we do not commonly measure up to the standard of service and sacrifice which she has attained.

Such criticism as nurses need may best be given at their own conventions by their own honored leaders and personnel.

Meanwhile let people who require the services of a trained nurse take care to treat her as a human being.

She is not a cook, a housemaid, but a skilled assistant of the great medical profession.

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THE SHORTAGE OF PRIVATE DUTY NURSES

Where is the elusive private duty nurse? Has she tired of private duty and turned to other fields, or can't she pass the Registered Nurse examinations? Is it because her work is seasonal, and she is overworked part of the year, and out of work the rest of the time? Or is she, perhaps, refusing to take training because other professions are made more attractive to her? In any case, she is being diligently sought after, examined, exhorted and sometimes criticized.

The situation has attracted the attention of the Public Health Committee of the Academy of Medicine, which has recently held

several conferences on the nursing situation. Members of the State Educational Department and hospital authorities and medical organizations were invited to offer suggestions with a view to changing certain aspects of the existing law, and its administration. The following questions were brought up for discussion:

- (a) What is the explanation of the reported shortage of nurses?
- (b) What opportunity is offered to graduate nurses from other states and countries to become qualified for New York State registration?
- (c) What is the objection to a two years' course of training for a registered nurse? To post-graduate course for those who would specialize?
- (d) How could the present curriculum be modified for training the basically trained nurse?

Although more nurses are being trained now than ever before, it was generally agreed that there is a shortage of nursing service, and that the private duty shortage is getting worse, rather than better. Moreover, the recent questionnaire, "Your Money and Your Life" shows that one-third of the nurses from our local district No. 13 who answered the questionnaire plan to leave private duty at the earliest possible moment. In district No. 1, fifty per cent answered that they would leave private duty at the earliest opportunity. The nurses attending the conference were generally of the opinion that trouble was with the present conditions of private duty. "The work is too difficult, too much in contrast with other fields. Curriculum changes and entrance examinations will not touch the situation, and increasing the supply of nurses will help only temporarily. A way will have to be found to make the situation more attractive. I do not mean that the nurses expect flowers and concert tickets, but they want to live as other people live. As things are now, the patient and the nurse have to pay for the inequality of conditions as they are."

Then there was the question of nurses from other states. Unless their schools are registered with the Board of Regents, they cannot practice as graduate nurses in the State of New York. Other states, however, have their own regulations, and 83 per cent of the states require a three years' course; Oregon and Florida have been known to refuse nurses trained in New York State, because they have not completed a full three-years' course.

Concerning the two-year course for nurses, it was found that some of the educational authorities felt that it was most desirable in the case of certain smaller hospitals which had less to offer in the way of training and educational facilities than the larger hospitals. A number of hospital training school superintendents, however, felt that the students preferred a full three-years' course.

It was also suggested that the comparative youth of the student applying for training today makes it highly desirable that she be kept in the hospital under supervision for a longer period of time.

It was generally decided that the question of modifying the present curriculum would call for very careful study before making any decisions as to change.

Following the same lines as the discussion in the *Academy of Medicine*, Mary Ross, in the March *Survey* has written an excellent article, "Private Life or Private Duty," which is recommended to all nurses who are interested in the subject of private duty. Coming from an outsider, a neutral, the article gives a sympathetic explanation of the nurse's side of the story.

Further information about the shortage of nurses and the private duty question will be available when Dr. Eliot Harris of the New York County Medical Association, presents his study of the situation, the latter part of March. The New York County Nurses' Association hopes to complete its state-wide survey of private duty nursing in time to present the findings at the next meeting of the Association.

THE EDITOR.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Meyer (nee Anne Hildred, Class 1919) on the birth of their son, John Edwin.

Also to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Hunt, Jr., on the arrival of Elizabeth Bourner Hunt, weighing seven pounds and eleven ounces.

Also to Mr. and Mrs. Carman Kenny (nee Ora Arnold, Class 1920) a daughter, Betty Joyce Kenny, at Sault Ste. Marie.

MARRIAGES

It is a pleasure to record the marriage of Miss Margaret Perry, to Mr. John Rogers Freeman, which took place at the Church of the Transfiguration, on the fourth of January. They are at home to their friends at 61 Perry Street.

DEATHS

Mr. John Price of Richmond, Virginia, sends word of the death of his sister, Elizabeth Price (Class 1893) who died while engaged in active duty. Deepest sympathy is extended to the family.

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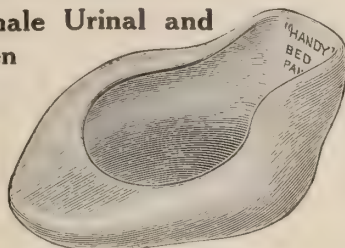
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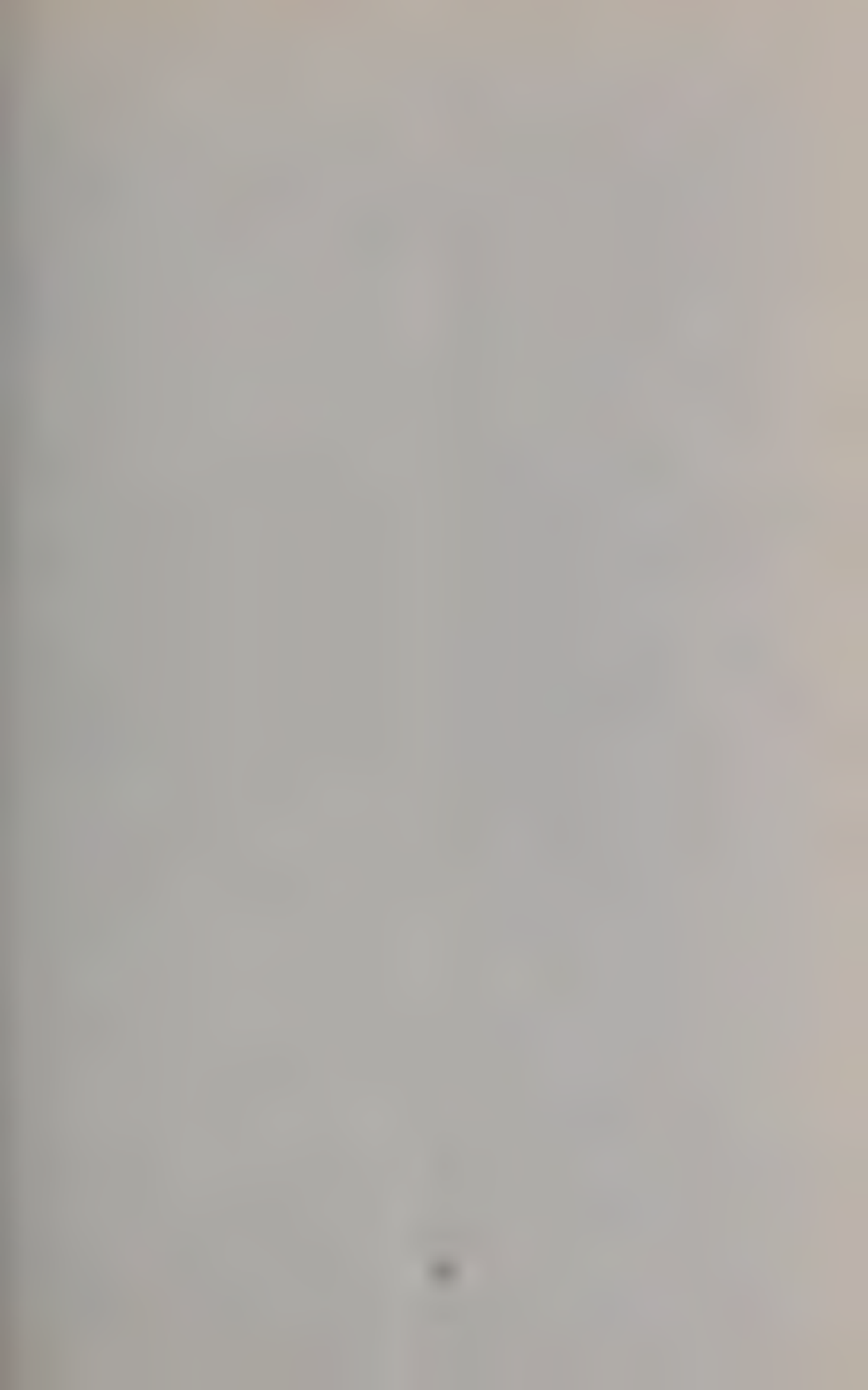


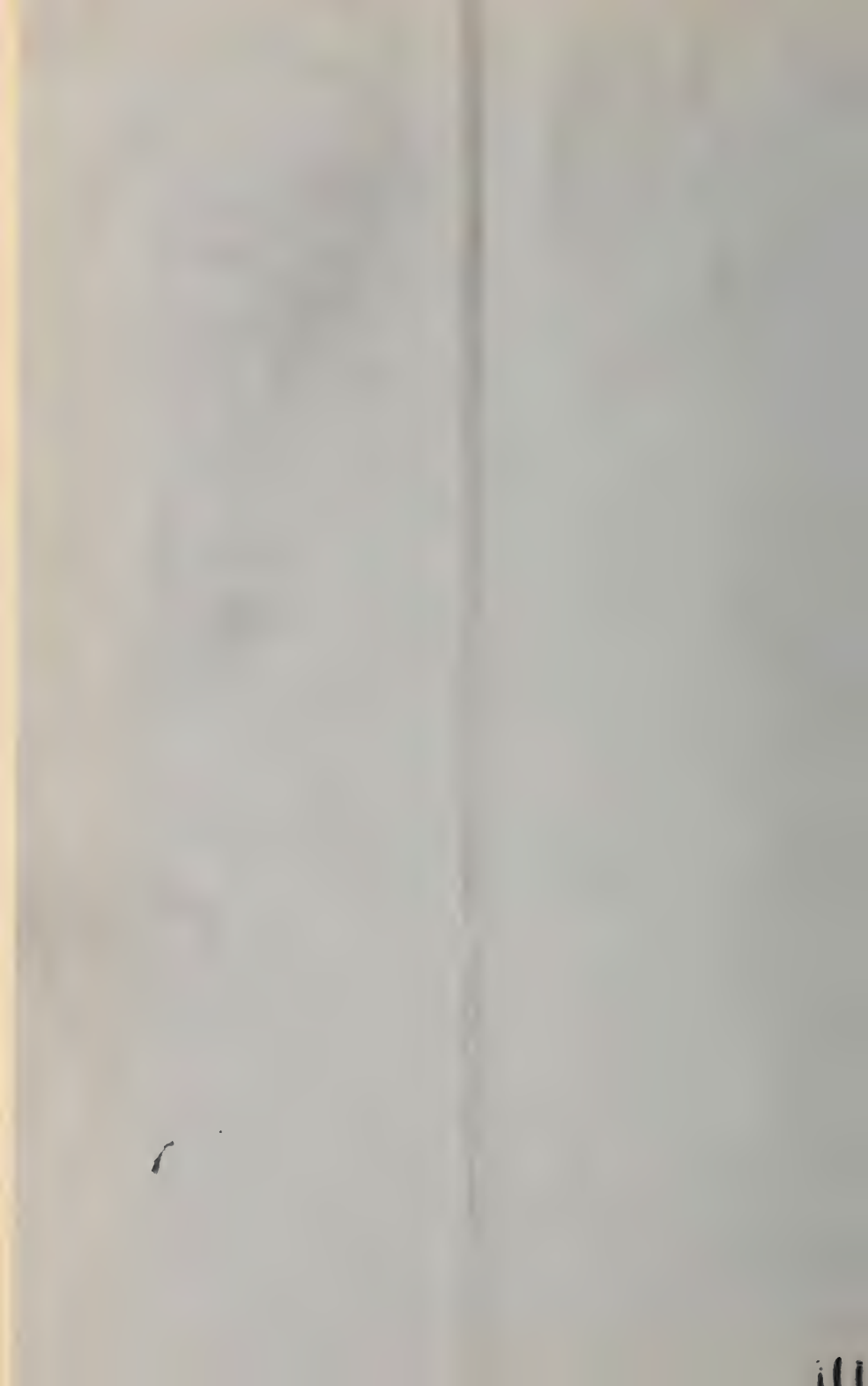
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SUMMARY OF ALUMNAE MEETINGS

APRIL, MAY AND JUNE

At the April meeting, which was held at the Club House, it was decided that Miss Elizabeth Golding and Miss Marion Durell be the Directors of the State Association for next year. Miss Florence Mack was to be re-instated in the Alumnae Association on payment of dues. It was decided that a letter be presented to the members of the Hospital Social Service Department asking them to be patronesses of the Bazaar. The Secretary was to write a letter of sympathy to Miss Hattie White, on the death of her sister.

The President reported on the action taken at the meeting called by Mrs. Wm. Church Osborn at her home to discuss nursing problems of vital interest to nurses, doctors and the public. A Central Committee composed of representatives from all leading hospitals seemed to be the first step. Those present at the meeting were requested to have their own Alumnae discuss the advisability of such a Central Committee and report their decision to Mrs. Osborn at an early date. The subject was thoroughly discussed from every point of view and it was the consensus of opinion that there was a great need for some concerted action and this seemed to be the right time to act. It was moved, seconded and carried that our Alumnae Association approve of some such procedure and co-operate with the other Hospital Training Schools, looking towards the betterment of nursing conditions and to the solving of problems of interest to every one concerned.

At the May meeting, which was held at the Hospital, Miss Bower reported receipts from the Bridge Party totaling \$178.95. With this money a very fine rug was purchased for the Club House entrance.

A letter from the Secretary of the Social Service Committee, Mrs. Postlewaite Cobb, was read which said that the members of the Committee would be pleased to act as patronesses of the Bazaar.

Miss Florence Johnson urged the Alumnae Association to interest the nurses in joining the Red Cross Nursing Service. She was especially anxious that nurses should join on graduating from the Hospital.

She also spoke of the Pan-American Convention to be held in Washington, June 6th and 7th. The South American countries were sending delegates to this convention, as they were vitally interested in nursing affairs.

Miss Sutcliffe reported the deaths of Miss Whitaker and Mrs. Pearsall, and our dear Miss Gillette, former Superintendent of the Club. The deaths of Dr. Arthur Corwin and Mr. Richard Phillips, husbands of two of our members, were also reported.

A letter was read from Helen Gould, asking to be reinstated in the Alumnae Association. The motion was passed that she be reinstated on payment of dues.

Miss Duncan reported that there had been a meeting of the General Bazaar Committee, and that plans had been outlined.

Miss Jordan and her staff entertained after the meeting, and there was music.

At the June meeting, held at the Club, the usual reports were read, and Miss McCrae told of the present condition of the Club, and projected repairs.

Miss Benz gave an informal report of the last County meeting, with items from Miss Beard's speech.

A letter from Mrs. Wm. Church Osborn was read in which she said that the study of private duty nursing problems would be resumed in the fall by the Special Committee.

Miss Duncan was appointed the official delegate to the State Convention in Binghamton, N. Y., in October with the power to appoint her substitute.

The motion was carried that the Finance Committee be recommended to make the usual yearly contribution of \$100.00 to the Henry Street Visiting Nursing Service.

Miss Carpenter read a most interesting report of her attendance as Official Delegate to the Health Convention at Atlantic City. Miss Golding spoke of a movement to establish a Federal Bureau of Nurse Examiners, which would enable a registered nurse to practice in any State, without taking extra examinations. She also presented the subject of the rate of private duty nursing as charged by certain other hospitals. The motion was carried that the New York Hospital nurses charge \$10.00 a day for twenty-four hour duty. This was to become effective at once, and the Registrar so notified.

A pleasant social hour followed the meeting.

MEETINGS

The next Alumnae Meeting will be held at the Club, on July the eighth, at eight o'clock in the evening. The following meetings will be held August twelfth, and September ninth.

The next meeting of the New York County Nurses' Association will be held on October fifth, probably at Bellevue Hospital.

The meeting of the State Convention will be held at Binghamton, in October, 1926.

N. Y. COUNTY NURSES' ASSOCIATION MEETING

The meeting of the New York County Nurses' Association was held on Welfare Island, on a very stormy night, which kept away the greater number of the delegates.

After the usual business, Miss Beard of the Rockefeller Foundation spoke on the recent activities of the Foundation,

and gave extracts from their recent report. She told of different sums allotted for nursing work in many countries, in Peking, China, in South America, and in our own country, at Yale.

She announced the appointment of Miss Alice Fitzgerald as Director of Nursing in Siam. Miss Fitzgerald, with Miss Agnes Meyer, has left for a three years' stay in Siam, working in conjunction with Dr. A. G. Ellis, who will reorganize the Medical School of the University.

The report also takes up nursing and hospital and health service and says the nurse plays an essential part in organizing public health work, and is indispensable in the teaching hospital.

"Just now she (the nurse) is a storm center," the report continues. "Physicians complain that she is hard to lure to the bedsides of private patients, that she is too often over-trained in theory, unduly professionalized, lacking in practicality and docility. Families find fault with the amount of her salary, the limitation of her hours and her unwillingness to lend a hand in domestic tasks. Few people of modest means can afford to have her at all.

"The hospitals, too cherish a grievance. They give her a sound training, only to see her desert the wards to do public health nursing, school nursing, industrial hygiene work and the like."

Taking the nurses' side of the question, the report says:

"Her education has cost her time and some money—actually a substantial sum if what she might have been earning in other work is taken into account. After on elementary school course, and often one or more years of high school, she has spent three years in a hospital. She thinks that during her period of training the hospital had a good deal of work from her on fairly cheap terms. When she has finished her course she feels that she has the right to choose between continuing in hospital service and entering the fields of private nursing or salaried public health or institutional nursing."

Continuing, the report says:

"Whatever the solution of the nursing problem, one thing seems certain. There will, in any event, be a need for able and thoroughly trained women as administrators, teachers and supervisors. It is this training of leaders in countries in which co-operation in public health or medical education or both is being given that primarily appeals to the Foundation."

REPORT OF OUR DELEGATE TO THE AMERICAN HEALTH CONGRESS

The first American Health Congress comprised of sixteen organizations met at Atlantic City for the week of May 17th, to discuss ways and means for promoting health, wealth and happiness throughout the world. Your delegate was sent with instructions to give special attention to the A. N. A. meetings, and after attending the opening session she had no desire to

play hooky. In fact, when the A. N. A. was taking a rest she was looking in her program for the second best meeting to attend. As one reporter so aptly put it, "Atlantic City was like a two-ringed circus," and the meetings were all so good that it was hard to decide which one to attend.

The opening session of the A. N. A. was held at the Steel Pier Music Hall, Monday at two-thirty, with Miss Adda Elridge in the chair. This was necessarily a business session, at which the reports of the various committees were read. One report which impressed me particularly was that of the Relief Fund Committee. In 25 States 102 persons are receiving monthly benefit from this fund.

A session which will interest a great many of you was that of the Private Duty Section. Miss Janet M. Geister, Assistant Secretary of the Associated Out-Patient Clinics of New York City, read a most interesting paper on "Private Duty Nursing", supplemented by a chart prepared by Dr. Burgess, based on a survey of New York State, for the last week in February. This showed the average earnings per nurse for one week to be \$31.26, with an average of five working days. Miss Geister contends that there is a sufficient number of nurses, and sufficient work to go around, if we could conceive some method of equalization. The present method is expensive for the nurse, as well as for the patient, considering the fact that her waiting time averages about four months in a year. That is, the time she spends in waiting for cases, after she is actually on call. Miss Geister offered a solution "to take costliness away from nursing", and at the same time revolutionize the nursing system of today. She proposes:

1st: A centralization of nursing resources under central registries, or associations, organized to distribute economically various grades of nursing service, and

2nd: Group Nursing in Hospitals.

If these methods are adopted she believes that many more people of moderate means will employ nurses in hourly service when they cannot afford or do not need twelve or twenty-four hour service.

Mary E. Gladwin, Educational Director of the Minnesota State Board of Examiners, gave a very interesting and stimulating talk on Adult Education, laying particular stress on the opportunities which a nurse has to continue her education by a course of proper and scientific reading. In answer to a question as to where one should begin, she recommended the Bible and Shakespeare.

On Thursday morning we honored ourselves, as members of the N. Y. H. Alumnae Association, with a Dutch treat in the form of a breakfast at the Steel Pier Restaurant. Twenty-three graduates were present, and with the exception of two or three understudies it was an all star cast. Practically all of them were classed among the high-brows of the convention.

The following were present:

Miss Goodrich	1892	Miss Beard	1903
Miss Golding	1894	Miss Reutinger	1904
Miss Benz	1894	Mrs. Kuhnle	1905
Miss Bridges	1894	Miss Stimson	1908
Miss Russell	1894	Miss Johnson	1908
Miss Nelson	1901	Miss Lehmkuhl	1912
Miss Gowan	1901	Miss Finch	1914
Miss Gill	1901	Miss Hay	1915
Miss Jordan	1902	Miss Pierce	1915
Miss Ferguson	1902	Miss Carpenter	1920
Miss Dakin	1902	Miss Bane	1921
Miss Fay		1923	

On Friday evening Dr. Rene Sand, Secretary-General of the League of Red Cross Societies, Paris, gave a most interesting lecture on Red Cross work in other countries. Out of 66 nations 58 have Red Cross Societies, all of which have taken the lead from the American Red Cross. They have evidently adopted the best of our methods and supplemented them with others to suit their needs. For instance: in Sweden where floods are prevalent the Red Cross provides a hydroplane to send a doctor and nurse to country places which are otherwise inaccessible. In Holland Red Cross Nurses are placed in public parks to give care to convalescents who go to the park for fresh air and sunshine. Dr. Sand praised the American Red Cross and American ideals so highly and so eloquently that we were about to take wings and fly. He was succeeded by Dr. George E. Vincent, President of Rockefeller Foundation, who quite abruptly and effectively clipped our wings by referring to statistics which showed that while we were strong in pioneering we were a little weak in the end results, the mortality rate in some of the other countries being annoyingly close to our own. In his opinion, at least, other countries are progressing in health work quite as rapidly as we are.

Miss Nina Gage of China extended a very cordial invitation to American nurses to attend the Congress of International Council of Nurses to be held in Peking in 1929. She offered as inducements, low transportation rates, low hotel rates, and last, but not least, an invitation to have tea with the President of China.

The closing session of the A. N. A. was held Saturday afternoon, at which time it was voted to hold the 1928 Convention in Louisville, Ky.

New officers of the A. N. A. were elected as follows:

President—Mrs. S. Lillian Clayton.

First Vice-President—Eleanora Thompson.

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Secretary—Susan C. Francis.

Treasurer—Jessie Catlon.

Directors—Clara D. Noyes, Mary E. Gladwin,
Adda Elridge.

This is only a brief and superficial resume of the proceedings

of the American Health Congress. If you are not interested you have heard quite enough, and if you care to hear more you can get a copy of the papers and discussions of the general sessions published in "an attractive volume of about a hundred pages" for \$1.50. I would suggest that you add this to the list given by Miss Gladwin in her discourse on Adult Education.

Respectfully submitted,

THERESA B. CARPENTER, Delegate.

HOSPITAL SECTION

"GOOD CITIZEN'S CLUB"

There are a number of women known to the Social Service Department who are either patients in the Out Patient Department themselves, or who bring their children for treatment. These women have formed a group called the "Good Citizen's Club", under the direction of Mrs. Frederick Allien, a member of the Social Service Committee.

Meetings are held in which they discuss problems of public welfare, such as keeping the streets clean, conditions in tenement houses, etc. At these meetings there is usually a special speaker, and Mrs. Ruth Pratt, a member of the Board of Aldermen, spoke to them in April about what they could do to help the city government. She gave them a very clear picture of how much they really could do if they would give some thought to it.

At another meeting Dr. Hitzrot spoke to the women on "Preventable Accidents", and his talk was very much appreciated and enjoyed.

During the summer Mrs. Allien entertains the Club at her home, and Mrs. Walter Jennings gives them a picnic at her home in Cold Spring Harbor. These events are always greatly looked forward to by the women.

A. V. IBBOTSON.

RAISING NURSING STANDARDS

Five National Groups Sponsor New Plan at Columbia

A plan, sponsored by five national health organizations and leaders in education to raise the nursing standards of the country was announced at Columbia University by Dean William Darrach of the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

"The committee will study the fundamental facts and factors determining efficient nursing service," said Dean Darrach, "and formulate and apply tentative standards for the grading and classification of nursing schools.

"In the study of facts and figures the committee will pursue three distinct fields of inquiry—the need and supply of nurses and other nursing functionaries, the occupational analysis of the nursing service as to knowledge, skill, traits and so on required, and the current status of the existing facilities for the training of nurses."

Dr. May Ayres Burgess will serve as director of the survey, the announcement said.

WHO'S WHO COLUMN



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MAJOR JULIA C. STIMSON
*Superintendent, U. S. Army Nurse Corps
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MAJOR JULIA C. STIMSON

Few if any nurses, certainly in this country, have had such a remarkable career as that of Julia C. Stimson. A descendant of a distinguished American family, she is the daughter of a prominent clergyman of New York City, and a niece of Doctor Louis Stimson, one of the great surgeons of his time, whose sympathetic understanding and loyal support of the School of Nursing of the New York Hospital endeared him to all the graduates. It is also of interest to those who know her that

one of her sisters is Dean of Goucher College and another attained unusual honors in her course in medicine and was one of the first—if not the first—woman physician to obtain an internship in the Presbyterian Hospital in New York City.

The following historical record of Julia Stimson's achievements appears in the 1923 Annual of the Army School of Nursing:

"Julia C. Stimson was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, and received her preliminary education at the Brearley School, New York City. She was graduated from Vassar College in 1901 and received the A. B. degree. She later took post-graduate work at Columbia University, New York City, and at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, and received the A. M. degree from that institution in 1917. In 1921 she received the honorary degree Sc. D. from Mount Holyoke College.

"In 1908 Miss Stimson was graduated from the New York Hospital Training School for Nurses. Following her graduation she was for three years superintendent of nurses at Harlem Hospital, New York City. In 1911 she took charge of social service at Washington University Medical School, St. Louis, and later became superintendent of the training school for nurses at the Barnes Hospital and the St. Louis Children's Hospital, in addition to being administrator of social service.

"Miss Stimson became a member of the Army Nurse Corps and sailed for Europe in May, 1917, as Chief Nurse of Base Hospital No. 21, the St. Louis Unit. This hospital served with the British Expeditionary Forces in France, and Miss Stimson remained there until April, 1918, when she was assigned to duty with the American Red Cross in Paris. There she was made Chief Nurse of the Red Cross Nursing Service in France. In November of that year she was appointed Director of Nursing Service, A. E. F., where she had the supervision of over 10,000 members of the Army Nurse Corps.

"Upon her return from Europe in July, 1919, Miss Stimson was appointed Acting Superintendent, Army Nurse Corps, and Dean, Army School of Nursing, and on December 30, 1919, she was appointed Superintendent of the Army Nurse Corps. When, by the Act of Congress, dated June 4, 1920, the members of the Army Nurse Corps were given relative rank, Miss Stimson became Major Stimson.

"Major Stimson has received the Distinguished Service Medal, the British Royal Red Cross, first class, and the French award, *Medaille de la Reconnaissance Francaise*, as well as a citation from Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig.

"She is the author of 'Nurse's Handbook of Drugs and Solutions' and 'Finding Themselves,' and has written many reports and articles."

This record of extraordinary service in the comparatively few years of Julia Stimson's professional career makes it impossible to dwell in detail upon the dramatic aspects of her experience in the Great War, or of her steady achievements in introducing and strengthening the educational program of

nursing in the great medical center of the military service, an achievement which will be of even more enduring significance than her conspicuous part in the world tragedy of 1914-1919.

Although the chapters of her military service will never be fully written, interesting, even thrilling, accounts may be found in the official history of the Red Cross Nursing Service and of the Army Medical Service during the Great War.

ANNIE W. GOODRICH

A PRACTICAL CODE OF NURSING ETHICS

By MAJOR JULIA C. STIMSON
Superintendent, U. S. Army Nurse Corps
Dean, Army School of Nursing

Taking for granted the truth of what Jane Addams said in her "Democracy and Social Ethics" that Ethics, another word for Righteousness is that for which the men and women in every generation have thirsted and without which life becomes meaningless, it may be well to pause for a few moments at such a shining milestone as this today and look into our own hearts and find out, if we may, whether our lives are meaningless to any degree in this sense, because lacking in righteousness or even failing to some extent in all that makes for a truly ethical life.

Doing what you ought to do under the many diverse circumstances of a nurse's life, you have been told is conforming to ethical nursing standards, and you have been given certain general rules of conduct as guides and have had them explained from a standpoint of right and wrong.

Nursing ethics and professional ethics are phrases which are very familiar but which probably would at the moment be rather hard for some of us to define or even to illustrate. What I want to do today if I may, is to put a new turn perhaps to the subject, and to outline for you a working code of ethics which may be helpful as a practical everyday guide in whatever phase of nursing work you may undertake. The idea is not wholly my own. I am borrowing a good deal of it from a code drawn up for social workers in a western city.

The first thing to think about is, of course, personal conduct. To so conduct one's self in her private life as to avoid bringing justified criticism upon herself or the institution or organization to which she belongs is, I am sure, a standard of conduct that every nurse would consider reasonable. You will note that the expression is used "and so conduct herself as to avoid bringing justified criticism upon herself or her organization"—justified criticism—there is the point. Only nonentities can escape criticism. If you never do anything or never have opinions you probably will be able to get by unnoticed and unjudged, but if you are a somebody and take an active part in the life about

you, you will certainly often be unfairly judged and will be criticised, for there will always be many who won't agree with you and who will feel free to express their opinions. But "justified criticism"—that is another matter. It will take a very impersonal disassociated attitude to decide whether criticism is justified for it is indeed hard to look at ourselves honestly and without bias or prejudice. One of the best ways to determine whether a course of action is open to justifiable criticism is to ask one's self the question—If what I am doing seems right for me would it seem equally right for all my friends and for all the members of the profession? Would discredit be brought upon the whole group if all the members of it did what I am doing?

As responsibility is thrust upon one after experience and maturity and efficiency have shown that one is fitted to take it, there will inevitably come criticisms and complaints. Persons in positions of authority have to expect to be targets for fault-finders. This is one of the disadvantages of important executive work that makes many nurses hesitate to accept positions in which much responsibility is placed on them. They forget the joy of being in a position which counts in a hundred ways, the joy of accomplishment, of influence, of opportunity to express one's self, of directing one's own activities and those of others, of creating and making grow. But one needs to have an utterly professional, unfeminine, impersonal attitude in order to be able to make the most of such opportunities and to meet the criticisms, and to take from them whatever may be of value. Unfailing courtesy, patience and willingness to see all sides of a question, if complaints are justified, and quiet indifference if they are not justified, will soon disarm fault-finders.

The next important item in our code is an obligation to our patients. Much emphasis is always placed on this in our schools of nursing, because hospitals and schools of nursing would not exist if it were not for patients. Successful social relationship with patients is as important as a successful professional relationship. An attitude of frankness and loyalty, tolerance, and consideration will make for success with individuals and will win many friends.

The next item in this everyday code is our obligation to our organization whether it be hospital or school, visiting nurse association, registry, or corps. Loyalty and sincere cooperation should characterize the relation between all the members. An interest in the policies of the group should be evidenced by constructive suggestions and willingness to take part in matters which concern the whole group. Since loyalty to one's organization means giving one's best to it, it follows that all the members should observe such rules of personal hygiene as will provide proper balance between work and recreation and rest. Nor is it loyal, our social workers' code says, to secure an offer of another position for the sole purpose of using it as a means to advancement. It is well for nurses to notice this, too.

Obligations to other groups of workers is the logical next item. The relationship of our group to the medical profession is a vital one and each nurse by her self-respecting attitude can help and improve this relationship more and more. Fortunately among enlightened and broad-minded members of the medical profession, the attitude of suspicion and opposition to higher educational standards for nurses is gradually changing and certainly will continue to change if nurses who have had superior educational and professional advantages maintain with dignity and determination this attitude of self-respect, independence and progressive cooperation.

But to take her rightful place in a community, a nurse must cultivate an attitude of friendliness and appreciative cooperation of other groups—the social workers of all types, the clergy, civic groups and all who are working for the common welfare. An understanding of their points of view, their objectives, their methods, is something of which many nurses do not realize the importance, and not until they do will they be able to accomplish their full value to a community or even to any family, the basis of a community. Nurses whether in private duty, institutional work or some form of public health nursing have obligations to the community as well as to all these other types of workers to whom reference has been made. They should feel responsible for interpreting their work and the work of their profession to the public. Solitary, faithful, inconspicuous work, is all very well by itself, but for lasting success work must be known and understood and have public opinion back of it.

Lastly comes obligation to the profession. Beginning with membership in one's Alumnae Association, after registration of course, enrollment in the American Red Cross Nursing Service and participation in local, state, and national meetings. The upholding of standards and supporting efforts to maintain and elevate them comes as a matter of course, for nurses are well organized and are a strong body of forward-looking women and young nurses cannot afford to delay allying themselves with them in groups. The first step is very simple—simply joining your Alumnae Association and keeping up your active membership in it and helping make it a live, worth-while body with definite objectives—first of helpfulness to the school, its own members and the profession; second, an effective mechanism for functioning—meaning good officers—and third, a live membership. With regular perusal of the official magazine of the American Nurses Association each member will be held in touch with the affairs of the whole group. Another thing that nurses should do which to my mind is of paramount importance and that is as far as possible to contribute to professional journals and conference programs so that whatever skill and experience they gain may be interchanged with others.

Finally in our working code should be the item to reserve sufficient time for study in order to keep abreast of current

thought and newest developments not only in our own specialties but in topics of general interest and culture. In this connection should be mentioned definite and deliberate efforts to fill up the wells of the soul by connecting them with the streams of spiritual forces. I have wanted to put before you something very condensed, very concrete, very practical—a working code of nursing ethics, merely indicating, our obligation to ourselves, our patients, our organization to other groups of professional workers and the community and to our own profession.

PERSONAL NEWS

Mrs. H. R. Kutil gave a delightful tea at her home, 105 East 80th Street, to her friends and classmates of 1914, early in June. Mrs. Kutil has since left for the Thousand Islands to spend part of the summer with Mrs. Frederick B. Thomason (1914). Mrs. Thomason is returning to New York early in September, and will be at home to her friends at 45 Fifth Avenue.

Mrs. Edith Reinhardt (1911) has given up her position with Dr. Vaughn, and is now hostess at the "Judy, Friendly Tea Shop", 60 West 50th Street; she hopes that all the nurses will look in on her. Luncheon, tea and dinner are served.

Miss Eugenia Barnfield (1915) who is in charge of the King Edward Hospital in Bermuda, has been at the Club for a few days' visit.

Mrs. Annie E. Earle returned to the Club on April 23rd to take up private work again, after 17 months in the West Indies, visiting her mother and family. She goes July 1st to Camp Songo for her fifth season. She will have an assistant this summer, and is very glad that Mrs. Stevenson, (1925) will be her co-worker. Mrs. Stanley Maitland, nee Earle, expects to visit New York City in August, and will join Miss Earle for a visit, after Camp closes, to friends on Long Island, and at Ocean Point, Maine.

Miss Bessie Dickson wishes to notify her friends that her future address is at 2202 Jefferson Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Miss Alice Hicks (1922) gave a luncheon for her classmate, Mrs. Halvoisan (Sue Schwartz, 1922) while she was visiting with her. Several members of the class were able to be present, among them Miss Juliette Blohme, Miss Murial Massett, Mrs. Dayton (Pat) and Mrs. Sewell (Gauntie). A delightful luncheon was served, and as this was the first time in several years the girls had been together the whole afternoon was spent in talking over old times. Miss Massett is working for the Henry Street Nursing Service, Miss Blohme is doing private duty, Miss Hicks is a school nurse, in Little Neck, and Miss Lewell is in charge of an operating room in a Newark Hospital. Mrs. Dayton and Mrs. Halvoisan are looking after their respective homes and kiddies.

The classmates and friends of Mrs. George A. Routledge (nee Emily Vanderburg, 1904) will be pleased to know of her

Counsel Camp Fire and gave its initial message to the Conference.

Meetings were held the entire week and addresses were made by Dean Sarah Arnold, Lady Baden-Powell, Mrs. Essex Reade, Mrs. Arthur Choats, Mrs. Herbert Hoover, Dame Catherine Furse, Sir Robert Baden-Powell, Mrs. Jane Deeter Rippen, Mrs. Juliette Low, Dr. George Vincent, President of the Rockefeller Foundation.

LILLIAN MUIRHEID.

HEARSAY AND FACT IN PRIVATE DUTY

JANET M. GEISTER, R. N.

Miss Geister was so kind as to allow us an advance printing of her Report which she read at Atlantic City. We regret that lack of space prevents us from printing this splendid report complete, and feel sure that all nurses will be intensely interested in her conclusions.

EDITOR.

ADDRESS DELIVERED BEFORE THE AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION,
PRIVATE DUTY SECTION, ATLANTIC CITY, MAY 18, 1926

Since the establishment of modern nursing the nurse has always had a place of honor and trust in the community. Her patients and their families have held her in esteem and affection—she has enjoyed the confidence of those about her. The nurse though often overworked and underpaid, found spiritual and mental satisfaction in the work to which she gave her devoted service, and she was happy.

In the past few years a note of discord has entered this happy relationship. This note becomes daily louder and more insistent. The old confidence between nurse and patient, between nurse and community, is being broken down. From the public we hear the cry that nurses are charging too much—that the twelve-hour nursing day works a hardship on the patient—that the nurse is less interested in her patient than formerly—that there are too few nurses.

The medical profession is giving considerable thought to the matter; many committees have been appointed to study it. Some of the criticism that has been made is constructive and some destructive. Most of the remedies that have been offered are based on personal opinion and not on carefully assembled facts. The tendency has been to attack the nurse and not the problem. To indicate how far the pendulum has swung, we have only to cite an editorial in a recent local medical journal, which reads

“‘Man’s inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn’ could well be paraphrased when applied to the nursing problem and made to read: ‘The average nurse’s inhumanity to sick people makes countless thousands mourn.’ It would seem there is no longer but one thought in the minds of most nurses when called upon to take care of the sick, and that is the commercial side of the question. * * * ” The editorial just quoted is indicative of much

of the confusion in thought on the part of the public and of both the medical and nursing professions.

On the other hand, the activity of the Nurse Registry Committee of the Medical Society of the County of Kings, Brooklyn, N. Y., in working jointly with a committee from the State Nurses' Association to bring about a practical solution of the problem, is a notable instance of some of the thoughtful and constructive work that is going on.

The nurse herself is depressed and perplexed. We have no accurate data relative to the exodus from private duty nursing for the country at large, but if the results of two recent studies made in New York State are typical of the situation, then it is true that from thirty to fifty per cent of the nurses in private duty are planning to enter other fields. This is an extremely serious situation.

These studies are made under the auspices of the New York State Nurses' Association in cooperation with the Committee on the Grading of Nursing Schools. The first, which was largely preliminary, was made in September, 1925. The present study is one of a series of four to be made at intervals during 1926. The effort is to get at the facts of private duty nursing. Obviously the subject is so large that it was deemed wise to limit it to facts concerning the economics of private duty nursing—the number of days on duty, off duty, without call, the amount charged, cost of laundry, rents and carfares.

UNORGANIZED, UNSUPERVISED, OUTGROWN

In considering these facts it is sharply borne upon us that, surrounded by changes in the social and economic position of women, in the practice of medicine itself, private duty nursing is following practically the lines laid down for it fifty years ago. To blame the nurse for this is futile—the physician and the public are equally responsible.

When there is sickness in the home the demand for a nurse carries with it the assumption that the patient requires skilled nursing service twenty-four hours a day and that there must be a nurse in constant attendance. Furthermore, the tendency on the part of the intelligent employer of labor and the intelligent director of professional workers to conserve the health of their workers through limiting working hours, good working conditions and other means, has not affected the private duty nurse.

It is a curious fact that while the public is being more and more exhorted to live a well balanced regular life of work, play, love and worship, the general attitude is to consider the private duty nurse the one exception to the groups that should carry out these rules. Her life isolates her from society, its irregularity breaks down her health, its seclusion tends to narrow her interests. She cannot charge in accordance with any particular skill she has acquired; she is unethical if, after ten years of hard work, she charges any more than does the newest graduate into the field. Yet she must be all things to

all people, she must remain human though she cannot live like most humans.

Modern business and professional groups distribute their resources over the largest possible area through organization. The school system is organized and the teacher serves thirty children, where, if she were not a part of an organization, she might serve but one. The fire department is organized. When one's house is on fire, one does not send in a frantic call to a half dozen places to get a fireman who might for that moment be disengaged. The house might be in ashes before he was found. How many firemen would be found if they had to wait around at their own expense until the fire occurred and then be paid not in accordance with the skill they had acquired in years of service, but a flat rate of from \$5 to \$8 per day, depending upon the locality in which they served. Business is organized. Few of us could afford much in the way of food, clothing, books, etc. were we to purchase them by order from the lone shoemaker, farmer, weaver, or printer.

Private duty nursing, as it is practiced today, is extremely costly. This cost is borne by the patient and by the nurse. They both pay heavily for the waste in the system. There is no question in our minds but that the cost of having one or two special nurses, for a week or two weeks or three, is frequently beyond the means of the average man. His loved one is ill—nursing is needed—he can do nothing but accept the present system even though it cripples him financially.

Is the nurse the gainer? Our studies indicate that the cost to her of the present method is quite as heavy as it is to the patient. In the long run the cost to her is greater. During the last week of February this year, at the height of the busy season, the average private duty nurse in New York State earned \$31.26 for her entire week's work. During this busy season, when many doctors were unable to secure the sort of nurses they needed for their patients, the average nurse in New York State worked only five days and earned only \$31.26.

These figures came from the average private duty nurse who is charging from \$5 to \$7 daily. As a weekly income this salary contrasts unfavorably with that of every other professional group. Taken on a basis of the actual number of hours on duty the income is about even with charwomen, servants, and unskilled labor, who in many instances are receiving fifty cents per hour. The nurse's income per hour in the study averages about forty-nine cents. What, then, is responsible for a situation costly to all participants? We must charge it up to the bad distribution, to the uneconomic use of nursing service.

WASTE OF NURSING SKILL

How many of our sick people today require twenty-four hours of skilled nursing service every day?

By nursing care we mean the duties that require the services of a trained nurse. A private duty nurse may keep herself busy the whole time she is in the home, but she may be performing duties that could be done quite as well by some other member of the family. Were the nurse engaged only for the number of hours necessary for the nursing care required by the patient, the old criticism that the nurse will not do housework or will not help out on other tasks, would automatically disappear. It is not that the nurse is unable to wash dishes or cook supper, but that her particular usefulness to her patient is her nursing skill. Why use her for other duties? Is it a responsibility of the nursing profession to solve the servant problem? The physician may be skilled in wielding the razor but we do not expect him to shave the patient—his skill is in doctoring and he must devote his time to that.

Under the present system of twenty-four hours' constant service, the patient pays for many more hours of nurse attendance than he actually needs. At the same time while this service is being wasted in one home another family with an acute illness finds it impossible to get service; thus the waste is costly to the patient with the nurse, and costly, too, in risk to the patient without a nurse.

It is costly to the nurse for a number of reasons. The monotony of idle hours on duty—of being on hand twelve hours while her patient needs her but six, is demoralizing. The long day, fifteen and sixteen hours, sometimes, makes it practically impossible for her to have any outside interests. It tends to break her health and her spirit. The irregularity of her work precludes any opportunity for further study, for any participation in community activities. If there is no illness, there is no work for her. No one but the private duty nurse knows the anxiety of waiting for the summoning telephone to ring, especially during the dull season.

In our questionnaires we asked nurses to give their reasons if they were planning to go out of private duty. And even though the majority of them were averaging only forty-nine cents per hour, their first two reasons did not concern their incomes but were in regard to the irregularity of the employment and the length of the working day. The nurse feels the sharp contrast between her isolated life and that of the women in other fields of activity; who have regular employment seven hours a day, five and a half days a week; who are given holidays and vacations and sick leave on pay; who more often than not are receiving more compensation than is she; and who have their evenings free.

IRREGULAR AND UNCERTAIN EMPLOYMENT

The private duty nurse herself bears the cost of every moment she is not working, of every day spent in resting up after a particularly arduous case, of every day of waiting as a precautionary measure after a contagious case. We have reason

to believe that this time amounts to about four months out of the year for the average nurse; making the \$6.00 she receives for one day's work really cover one and one-third days of her life, or really making her day's earnings \$4.00 when computed in terms of the time she had to wait for her case plus her hours on duty. Let no one believe that this four months' period of no work can be counted as leisure, permitting further study and recreation. It is broken up into irregular bits, a day here, a week there, much of which is spent in standing guard over the telephone waiting for the next call.

It is true that the nurse should be and is actuated by motives higher than that of material well being alone. Were the money her only or her dominating thought the inspiring record of selflessness and devotion in nursing never would have been written. The fact remains, however, that the cost of shoes and hats and coal and groceries and rent is the same for the nurse as it is for any other member of the community. In order to be self-sustaining she is forced to give consideration to this item. Society has made no provision for the woman who has given the best years of her life and the best of her strength in a service that too often leaves her broken in health and poor in purse.

Probably the greatest cost of all to the nurse, and incidentally to the community as well, is the comparatively short period of years she is able to serve the community. Of the 1,400 women who answered the New York questionnaire, but five per cent had graduated prior to 1900. This gives strength to the oft-repeated assertion that fifty years is the dead line in private duty. Fifty years of age in most professions marks the period when the varied experiences of the individual make him of greatest value to the community.

THE NURSING SHORTAGE

We hear a great deal about the shortage of nurses. We always hear this at certain periods of the year when the peak load of sickness is high. Do we ever hear it in the months when there is little sickness? The public, in crying for more nurses during the few busy months, concerns itself not at all as to what happens to those nurses when there is no flu or pneumonia.

Much of the so-called shortage of nurses really is caused by waste of nursing service. How many patients who have special nurses in the hospitals today really need these nurses? Do all the patients who have two, three, or even four nurses need all of them? We have all seen corridors dotted with special nurses, idly passing time because their patients did not need them, and then have heard in the administrative office the frantic efforts to get special nurses for seriously ill patients. We have all seen the patient who desires to show her financial standing by having two nurses idling about her room or her home. We have seen about us much luxury where nurses are called upon to do glorified maid service. Who is responsible for this? Not the nurse. She doesn't beg to be put on these cases. We know that when she tries to get off these cases in

order to serve some more needful patient she is called unprofessional, unethical.

Another great cause of the so-called shortage is the exceedingly bad distribution. While many of the nurses recognize the value of a central clearing house or central registry, and register for service accordingly, a large group operate as free lances. They get their calls from various sources, and the registry is not cognizant of their availability for service. Consequently we have the strikingly anomalous situation of hearing on one side the cry of a nurse shortage and on the other the complaint of nurses that they have been unemployed.

In the last week in February, 1926, when the sickness load was heavy and the demand for nurses great, we find from our study that in New York State forty-seven per cent of the nurses worked less than the full seven days. Twelve per cent worked not at all, while twenty-five per cent, or just one-fourth of all the nurses, were busy three days or less. Moreover, while the doctors were reporting a shortage, their calls for help never reached these available nurses. Just eighty per cent of the 1,400 nurses in New York State reported that they had not refused a single call during the week. This vividly illustrates the need for better distribution, for a central organization to connect the nurse with the sick patient. It illustrates the major weakness of the present system.

We are frequently told that the way to remedy the nursing situation is to increase the supply. Indeed, it is the prescription most often brought forth. Reduce the entrance requirements, cut down the theoretical training (which amounts on the average to four hours a week), cut down the time of training, and the situation will be solved! The situation will never be solved while the conditions in the private duty field are so out of keeping with the world about us. What does it avail us to pour new wine into old bottles if the bottles are leaking? Why not stop up the leaks first?

When a business house finds it has a heavy staff turnover each year does it remedy the situation by bringing in fresh hordes of new workers? It does not. It makes a thorough-going canvass into the reasons for this turnover for it finds it a far better investment to hold the workers already in the field than constantly to bring in new workers.

RADICAL REORGANIZATION

What is the remedy for the situation? Clearly every fact points toward the inevitability of change in our present system. The patient, the doctor, the nurse, the community are all dissatisfied with the present order of things. The cost to the patient and the nurse is inordinate, yet no one is the gainer. A continuation of the present system would result undoubtedly in a very real shortage of nurses with a consequent rise in price of nursing to the consumer. Is it not possible to bring skilled nursing service to the patient in the quantity and quality he

needs and at the same time insure to the nurse a decent standard of living, a life more in keeping with life about her, a life with hope of a professional future? We believe it is. Not at once can such a Utopia be realized. Too many years have gone into the present system—too much is the rut of public opinion fixed in the idea of a private nurse for every patient—too much is the rust of nursing experience fixed in the idea of continuous service to the patient, to make possible to reconstruction in a short period.

The solutions indicated by our present knowledge are:

1. Centralization of nursing resources under central registries of associations organized to distribute economically various grades of nursing service.
2. Group nursing in hospitals.

A CENTRAL CLEARING HOUSE

It is not possible without experimentation and demonstration to outline the details of this centralization and distribution of forces. In general, however, it involves the principle of a central clearing house where all nurses who wish to be connected with the sick patients in the community may register. This appears to be the first and immediate step in this scheme. When the physician wants a nurse for his patient, instead of calling a half dozen numbers until he finds what he needs, he calls one central clearing house or registry. Such a registry through its entrance requirements could ultimately institute teaching supervision on the same basis that it is done in visiting nurse associations.

Not only should graduate nurses be invited to register but the undergraduate, the trained attendant, the nurse's aid, as well; for all illness does not require the services of the skilled nurse. In many homes where the homekeeper is ill, the need frequently demands housekeeping as well as nursing service. There is a steady demand for this type of worker—the practical nurse. This work has been highly unstandardized, for the worker belong to no group. She stands alone. Not only should she be brought into the field where constructive supervision can be maintained but every effort should be made to develop her in order to answer the community's demand for her services.

ORGANIZED HOURLY NURSING

The next step that is indicated marks the radical change from nursing our patients on a twelve or twenty-four hour basis regardless of what is their need, to nursing them in accordance with the actual number of hour's service they need. That is, instead of nursing them by the day we nurse them by the hour. Hourly nursing is not a new thing. Our visiting nurse associations are more and more developing this service in answer to the demand of the patient who is able to pay for the hourly service but who cannot pay for and does not need a nurse on a twelve-hour basis. The steady growth of this

service in our visiting nurse associations indicates that the community has tried it, and has found it good, and wants more of it. The Philadelphia Visiting Nurse Society reports, for instance, that in 1919 when its hourly service was inaugurated it sold 3,335 hours of nursing, while in 1925 this was more than doubled, 6,869 hours.

Whether much of the community's demand for hourly service could be rendered through an extension of the visiting nurse associations' work, or whether it should be done entirely through the registry or whether there should be joint effort between registry and visiting nurse association, remains to be determined. The first step in the direction of hourly nursing is the realization on the part of the public, physician, patient, and nurse alike, that it seems inevitable that the bulk of our nursing will in the future be done on this basis.

The administrative difficulties of developing an hourly nurse service, elastic enough to cover twenty-four hours a day, to cover emergencies, etc., and yet not so elastic as to make the cost prohibitive, are many. We doubt very much if such a service could be self-supporting during the experimental stage, though we see no reason why it should not be so after the demand has been determined and the routines developed.

GROUP NURSING IN HOSPITALS

We believe, however, that this development of organized, supervised, well administered hourly nursing service offers one of the ways to a solution of our problem. The other way is group nursing in the hospital, where a nurse cares for two, three and four patients, depending on the seriousness of the illness and the patient's desire to pay. Experiments in this field have been more or less successful.

Miss Eleanor Hamilton of the Edward Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, Michigan, reports in the January, 1926, issue of the *American Journal of Nursing*, the success of her experiment in group nursing. Sister Domitella of St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, Minn., also reports in the same issue, the success of the group nursing scheme inaugurated in her hospital during war days and which continues to the present day.

When group nursing has been unsuccessful, one reason has been the lack of team work; some one of the participants, the patient, the doctor, the hospital administrator, or the nurse, has not been whole heartedly a part of the scheme. Another reason for failure has been the effort to put group nursing on a twelve-hour basis. This is utterly unsound. The nurse caring for three patients on an eight-hour shift is active a major portion of those eight hours—there is little sitting about waiting for the patient to need something. A twelve-hour day is dangerous to patient and nurse alike. Under this plan the nurse is on a yearly salary to the hospital and she is directly responsible to the administrative heads of the institution. As in the development of hourly nursing, the administrative and other difficulties of

such a scheme are many. It will take time to obtain whole-hearted cooperation on the part of patient, doctor, administrator, nurse alike. To those who have studied the situation, however, the new order of things makes such development seem inevitable.

MARRIAGES

Miss Mary Rankin (1902) was married to the Rev. George Holbrook, of Troy, N. Y., at St. George's Chapel, New York City, May 18th, 1926, in the presence of a few relatives and friends.

Miss Esther Josephine Love (1919) was married to Dr. Herman Bryant, on February 15th, 1926, in Shanghai, China.

Miss Ruby Butner (1924) was married to Mr. Thomas Truelove, of East Bend, N. C., on May 2nd, 1926.

Miss Mary Fraser (1922) was married to Mr. C. Coleman Carven, of Boston and New York, on January 30th, 1926. At Home, 601 East 21st Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

DEATHS

Miss Nellie Gillette (1890) died at St. Jerome's Hospital, Batavia, N. Y. on May 9th, 1926.

Sympathy is extended to Miss Jean Blacklie (1917) upon the death of her mother.

Dr. Arthur Corwin, former Hudson Street Hospital (1902) and New York Hospital interne, died at his home in Rye, N. Y., March, 1926.

MISS NELLIE GILLETTE

Miss Nellie Gillette, Class 1908, died at the Batavia Hospital on May 9th, 1926. Miss Gillette filled the position of Superintendent of the Norton Infirmary, Louisville, Kentucky, for several years with much credit. She was Superintendent of the New York Hospital Nurses' Club from 1901 to 1903 and from 1913 to 1915.

When the Club was moved to West 45th Street, she was persuaded to return to organize the larger undertaking. Her ability, tact, and patience during this very trying time were impressive, and her quiet dignity and gentle manner soon won the love and confidence of the residents of the Club. She will be remembered with affection and most grateful appreciation by all those who were fortunate enough to really know her.

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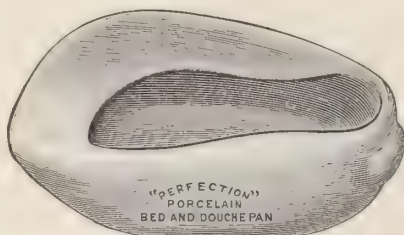
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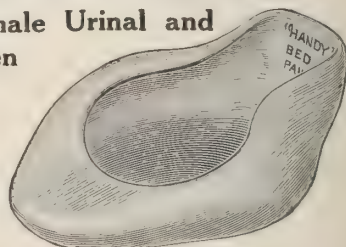
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THE BAZAAR

All the signs point toward increasing activity for the coming Bazaar. Things of all description have been coming in—dolls to be sold, a beautiful kimona on which chances will be taken, a handkerchief box, and a string of pearls. Fudge will be made for sale, and there are plans for fortune telling and reading teacups. Miss Muirheid is aiming very high by trying to get a mile of silver twenty-five cent peeces, using yards of adhesive plaster to hold them. If she should succeed in gaining her goal she would realize over \$150.00.

The following class representatives have been chosen to carry on the work: 1878, Miss Adele Hodgson; 1880, Miss Irene Sutcliffe; 1881, Miss Virginia Hunter; 1882, Miss Carpenter; 1883, Miss Margaret Jackson; 1884, Miss Jessie McVean; 1885, Mrs. M. A. Nicholson; 1886, Mrs. C. K. Zeigler; 1887, Miss Jeanie Quesada; 1888, Miss Margaret Munn; 1890, Mrs. A. W. Van Riper; 1891, Miss Jane Hitchcock, 1892, Miss S. J. McKenzie (Spring Class); 1892, Miss Bertha Sinnot (Fall Class); 1893, Miss Lucy Grafton (Spring Class); 1894, Miss Elizabeth Golding; 1895, Miss I. J. Walton; 1896, Miss M. Vroom and Mrs. Walter Camp; 1897, Miss Mary Smith; 1898, Miss Annie Rykert, 1899, Miss Agnes O'Geran; 1900, Miss Laura Barret; 1901, Miss Nellie McCrae; 1902, Miss Minnie Jordan; 1903, Miss Zula Stupplebeen; 1904, Miss Anne Reutinger; 1905, Miss Elizabeth Hay; 1906, Miss L. Wood; 1907, Miss Mathilde Jouffret; 1908, Miss Pearl Gravitt; 1909, Miss Lee; 1910, Miss Mary Holland; 1911, Mrs. Ralph Stillman; 1912, Miss Bertha Lehmkuhle; 1913, Miss S. Moore; 1914, Miss Edla Malmgren; 1915, Miss Catherine Hay and Miss A. V. Ibbotson; 1916, Mrs. F. L. Bull; 1917, Miss M. O. Lund; 1918, Miss Helen Bates; 1919, Miss Edith Gouinlock; 1920, Miss Mabel O'Brien; 1921, Miss Christine Dann; 1922, Miss Juliette Blohme; 1923, Miss V. Beach; 1924, Miss Millicent Bush; 1925, Miss Edwards; 1926, Miss Thornton.

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With these generous contributions have come letters showing unusual interest among those of our number who never have and probably never will have occasion to use the Club, but who recognize the great boon it must be to those in active nursing in New York City.

There will be a meeting of the General Committee on the Bazaar in October. It is hoped that the reports from the various classes will be ready for this meeting, and that every detail will be worked out, and all plans completed for a successful Bazaar.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS

N. Y. H. ALUMNAE

The next meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held at the Club on October 14th. It is hoped that as many members as possible will take dinner at the Club, at six thirty, and that the meeting may be started early. Reports from the Bazaar Committees will be called for, and other Bazaar plans will be discussed.

N. Y. COUNTY MEETING

The meeting of the N. Y. County Registered Nurses' Association was held at the Nurses' Club on September 24th. The speaker was Mrs. J. B. Bowman of the Navy Nurses Corps, and her subject was "The Navy Nurse."

The next meeting will be held at the Nurses' Club, 132 East 45th Street, on December 7th.

THE STATE CONVENTION

The N. Y. State Nurses' Convention will be held at Binghamton on October 26th, 27th and 28th. Miss Elizabeth Golding is the Chairman of the section on Private Duty Nurses, which will be held on October 26th.

HOSPITAL SECTION

Very few of the nurses realize that the old Van Buren garden of 15th Street opposite the hospital, has been used for year during the summer months as a playground for the children of the neighborhood, who are known to the hospital. The Parks and Playgrounds Association of New York provides a worker who supervises the work and play of the children, and through the generosity of the Social Service Committee of the Hospital, the playground has been equipped with swings and other apparatus.

The garden is open both morning and afternoon, and is a great boon to the mothers of the neighborhood, for they know where their children are and that they are being well cared for. Each week there is a party for them at which ice cream is provided by the Committee, and needless to say there is always a large attendance. The children are taught the various handicrafts such as weaving and modelling, and at the end of the season have an exhibition of their work. They also have a "sports day" at Bronx Park, when the children from the different playgrounds in the city compete for prizes.

The playground fills a great need and we are greatly indebted, both to the Van Buren Estate for the use of the garden and to the Committee for their financial aid.

VICTORIA IBBOTSON.

FOREIGN NEWS

Miss Kathleen Whitton of the Class of '16 has recently written most interestingly of her stay in Ceylon, and we are glad to be able to reproduce her letter for ALUMNAE NEWS readers.

My Dear Miss Fennemore:

I left Ceylon last July after a stay of a year and a half, came home to England for a month and am now in Switzerland with my sister, enjoying all the sports here.

As I was in Ceylon for my health, after a bad breakdown in San Francisco, I did not do any nursing for over a year, and was then asked to take two successive emergency cases, one obstetrical, and the other an accident. I enjoyed them both very much. Most of my time was spent up country in Nuwara Eliya, six thousand feet up, and a delightful spot, where the residents spend their time in golf, tennis and riding, during the three months of fine weather, and in cussing the weather during the nine months of the monsoon, when it rains almost continually. They have splendid fishing and sambhur hunting, and I learned to bait a hook, and throw a fly, although I had always rather despised fishing in the past, as being too slow.

I was very much interested in the S. P. C. A. work out there, as I am intensely fond of animals, and the natives are very cruel to them. They use small bulls to draw all freight in Ceylon, and underfeed and illuse them shockingly. Sometimes the animal is too weak or too ill to draw the cart, and falls down in the shafts. The driver will light a fire under the poor brute, or put cayenne pepper in its eyes, until the animal, maddened with pain, struggles to its feet. It is useless to reason with the native and tell him to feed his animals more, and rest them when they are ill; the only way you can induce him to do so is to report him to the S. P. C. A. or police, and have him fined. The Buddhist will not kill, but he will inflict pain voluntarily.

I spent some time on a large rubber estate in the low country and was surprised to find how much has been done to improve the condition of the natives. Formerly the coolies lived in mud and wattle huts without windows or ventilation of any kind, and as they close the door tightly and have an open fire burning inside, with no outlet for the smoke, many of them die of tuberculosis. Now the Government compels all the native huts to be built with windows, and proper sanitary arrangements provided. There are creches for the little children on each estate where the workers can leave them, while they are tapping the rubber trees. They are cared for and fed by a couple of native women, who boil huge cauldrons of rice and milk for the little ones. The natives are good dancers, and it is most amusing to see the naked little children from one to nine years old, dancing and singing in perfect time. We took bags of candies to the creches, and they performed for us.

The most interesting sight I saw was the "Perahera" at Kandy. There was a wonderful procession of elephants and natives bearing the sacred Tooth of Buddha through the streets of Kandy, from the "Temple of the Tooth." The Tooth is kept on a white satin cushion, surrounded by jewels worth a fabulous amount, on a gold altar in the Temple, from whence it is lifted reverently once a year by its guardian, a saffron robed priest, and carried on the back of a sacred elephant, in the procession. The scene is almost indescribable, it is so gorgeous and strange. The streets were lined with millions of natives dressed in their brightest colors and jewels, their faces lit up in the darkness by hundreds of flaring torches and expressing a fanatical frenzy which could only be found at a native religious festival.

The pitch of excitement is intense as the steady tramp of the elephants and the beating of the tom-toms is heard. The elephants are gaily caparisoned in gorgeous jeweled cloths, and natives run before them spreading red carpets for them to walk on. Kandyan Chiefs are seated on the elephants in their bright native costumes, wearing great jewels. Over a hundred elephants marched past in pairs, with slow and stately tread, and in the center came the largest of them all, bearing the casket containing the sacred tooth. Bands upon bands of

natives were interspersed with the moving throng, and everywhere the dull incessant beat of the tom-tom was heard. The devil-dancers were curiously fascinating, painted and decorated to look most grotesque, their writhing bodies whirling faster and faster, and twisting into such knots that one wondered that they could ever untwist. The sacred note of color was struck in the saffron-hued robes of the many priests, who marched along under huge umbrellas held by podians. The procession took an hour and a half to pass the hotel, and it was surely one of the most impressive scenes I have ever witnessed.

I am sorry I can't tell you much of the nursing world in Ceylon. The hospitals are under Government control, and are run by English Nursing Sisters, chosen by the British Colonial Office. Two of them, one at Colombo and another at Kandy, are running Training Schools, where burgher student nurses and native women are trained. Some of them afterwards become Matrons of the small hospitals in the outlying districts. The medical and surgical staff men are all burghers and natives. Some of the higher natives have taken degrees in England, and many of them are decidedly clever, their well-formed hands and supple fingers lending themselves to good surgery. The hospitals are well-equipped, and up-to-date, although it has been a long struggle to introduce hygienic principles against the quaint native customs and prejudice. It is not that they are personally dirty, on the contrary. They bathe frequently, and religion demands that a native must always wash his hands before eating, but some of their customs are dreadful. For instance, they will plaster their wounds with dry dung, and many times after having had a wound dressed at the hospital, they will go home, tear off the bandages, and apply their own native remedies.

The infant mortality is high in Ceylon, partly on account of certain native remedies which are given to the mother, and also because of their unhygienic surroundings. I had a short talk with Dr. Prins, Colonial Surgeon, and second in command to P.C.M.O., on Public Health Nursing, as carried out in the U. S. A. Unfortunately I could not give him as much information as I would have liked, as my knowledge of it is limited, but he was intensely interested in what I could tell him and is hoping to start a Public Health course in Colombo, when he can find someone who is capable of adapting such a course to the climatic requirements of Ceylon.

Many of the large tea and rubber estates have their own hospitals and dispensaries. I was struck with the remarkable cleanliness and excellent administration of the two or three I visited, although the bare plank beds did not appeal to my sense of comfort. Here in the cool heights of Switzerland, Ceylon seems like an exotic dream, but I prefer my present surroundings for health, and hope before long to be fit enough to return to work.

KATHLEEN E. WHITTON.

FROM THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE SOUTH AFRICA MISSIONS

A LETTER FROM MISS MYRTLE PELLEY

The request for another letter for the Alumnae News is noted, so may we call this letter a continuation of the one you printed in the July, 1925, number from me. You see I am located in one of the farthest fields possible to reach from the United States of America, mail is a long time in passing to and fro, and to me is therefore more precious. Saturday is one of my exciting days, because that is the day when mail from overseas arrives. Those letters are my one connecting link with the outside world, with the papers or periodicals that come with them.

The Alumnae News is always received and eagerly read, for thus I hear of many friends of by-gone days, along with the news of the New York Hospital. My correspondence is necessarily heavy, and many requests come for articles to print of news from this far off land.

May I say that my love of the work has never decreased, and that to my mind, nursing is one of the greatest fields of useful activity open to women today. There is a beauty in the work that holds a true nurse enthralled as the years come and go. But some one says, "Is there much beauty in it in Africa?" Yes, there is, indeed. I have never had one moment of regret in coming. Nurses are plentiful at home, but there are only a few here, comparatively speaking, and those who are here remain around the cities or coast towns. So when one knows that she is about the only available nurse to be had, and in an extremity can be the means of saving life, or rather, that lives would have gone out without the help she gave, that knowledge gives joy.

But to continue; in my other letter I left you with a description of the place where I am now, called Stegi in Swaziland. Swaziland is a small piece of country not yet belonging to the Union of South Africa, but it is large enough to contain five large districts, and Stegi is the police and government center of the Ubombo District which is the largest in mileage of the five.

One of the first duties was to get a building in which to live, and the money had been set aside for that purpose, but the obtaining of building materials was a proposition, for we are thirty miles from the nearest railway, which is only a branch line coming in from a port on the east coast called Lorenzo Marques. So everything had to be hauled on large transport wagons, drawn by sixteen or twenty oxen, yoked up two abreast. Then anxiously the building was watched going up, with suggestions that would make it convenient for a nurse to live in. Even the land to build it on had to be obtained, so you see that bedside nursing is not the only thing

one has to do in Africa. Then the ground had to be fenced around, a garden laid out and trees planted, for the sun is very hot here at times.

Then my supplies, possessions in trunks, boxes, etc., came across country ninety miles in a big ox-wagon, fording rivers and around mountains, but when I was finally settled in a cosy cottage of three rooms and pantry (living-room and dining-room combined, a bedroom and kitchen with a nice front verandah) the cost of it all in hard work made me give a sigh of relief.

For a time the native people seemed afraid of me, but when sickness came into the homes of the white people and they naturally turned to me for help and obtained it, the fear vanished, and so very soon I had plenty to do for everybody. The extracting of teeth is a part of the regular program. I had purposely learned to do that, and have a full set of dental forceps, as well as some other dental instruments.

The work of being a Mission Nurse of the Church of the Nazarene was soon combined with that of the Government Nurse. This means I have the care of all the families of those in Government employ or service, and all the natives coming into court, as well as the prisoners serving time. So I get all kinds of diseases, as well as surgical things to do, and many things we would never be called upon to do at home without a doctor. Fortunately there have been very, very few deaths, but when they happen, the nurse must be the undertaker, and even hold the burial service sometimes. The measurements and digging of the grave have also fallen to my lot, but of course I found boys to handle the shovel according to directions.

Is this all too serious and dull for you, or would you like more? If so, I shall continue another time, and not tire you in one paper. May it be a prosperous year of usefulness to you.

Yours sincerely,

MYRTLE A. PELLEY.

PENSIONS FOR ARMY NURSES

Following pleas for action on a bill providing retired pay for nurses of the army and the navy made by Mrs. Florence P. Kahn of California and Mrs. Edith N. Rogers of Massachusetts, two women members who succeeded to seats in Congress vacated by the deaths of their husbands, the House passed the measure by a viva voce vote.

The bill, which was endorsed by the heads of the War and

Navy Department, provides that a military nurse may be placed on the retired list with pay after service of thirty years, or upon service of twenty years if she has reached the age of 50. The pay is graded according to rank and length of service. Mrs. Kahn and Mrs. Rogers appealed on the ground that the nurses' work was arduous at all times, that they were denied the right to marry while in Government employ, and that they suffered from other discriminations as compared with officers and men in the army and navy.

In the second speech she has made since she entered the House Mrs. Kahn was applauded as she made this statement:

"We are merely asking for a square deal for the women who both in war and peace have taken their orders and have done their duty like the soldiers they are.

"The Nurse Corps at present is the only component of the regular army or navy of the United States whose members are not entitled to retirement," she said, "notwithstanding the fact that they are subject to the same laws, regulations and orders as are other individuals of the military and naval services.

"The pay of the nurses is about 20 per cent less than is the pay of trained nurses in civilian hospitals. They have no choice as to the nature of cases to be cared for, as have nurses in civil life. The period of greatest efficiency of a nurse doing continuous duty is estimated from ten to fifteen years.

"Due to the character of the work, the requirements for eligibility to the Nurse Corps are high and with the low pay it is difficult to get the desired number of applicants without some inducement to attract them.

"The first officially wounded member of the American Army in the World War was a woman—a nurse—a member of the Army Nurse Corps, who lost an eye from a piece of shrapnel.

"After the war was over, some of you will recall Congress passed an act giving relative rank to members of the Army Nurse Corps, but with the rank did not go either the commission or the pay of the grade. What the right to wear the insignia of the rank from second lieutenant to major does for the nurses is to show to all concerned that the Nurse Corps is entitled to officers' status and to certain officers' privileges.

"All the men of the army and navy, whether officers or enlisted personnel, have retirement privileges. Why should the women of the services, who are as much an integral part of the forces as the men, be excluded from them?"

Mrs. Rogers insisted that military nurses needed protection in their old age. "The nurse cannot marry as the officer can," she said. "She has the rank, but she has not the privilege of marrying and of being assured she will be taken care of when older. It seems an unjust discrimination. The nurse cannot have her family with her, and often when the nurses stop their work they are too old to marry."

WHO'S WHO COLUMN



Miss Jane Elizabeth Hitchcock

Jane Elizabeth Hitchcock comes of pure New England stock. On her grandmother's side she is a direct descendant of Peregrine White the baby born on the Mayflower. From that date on, her family tree is well adorned with college professors and medical connections. For fifty years her father held the chair of Hygiene and Physical Education, the first such in the world, at Amherst College. Miss Hitchcock was born there; her education included Amherst High School, two years, Mt. Holyoke, two years, and Cornell University, special studies for three years. In 1890 she graduated from the New York Hospital. In 1896, after rest at home, and two years head-nurse work in the Newton Hospital, Mass., her long residence in Henry Street began.

At first a staff nurse, Miss Hitchcock was soon given the supervision of the visiting nursing which grew rapidly in extent and number of workers. Her service and residence there continued until the autumn of 1922, being only interrupted by a call to Ithaca, N. Y., to establish and direct visiting nursing in the emergency of a serious epidemic of typhoid, numbering some 1,500 cases in all. Miss Hitchcock was made Secretary of the New York State Board of Nurse Examiners at the time of its establishment in 1903 and held

that office until 1919. For two years after the world war she conducted the Public Health Nursing Division of the Bureau of Placement under the Red Cross and the Joint Nursing Committee. In 1915 she began the work of lecturing on Public Health Nursing to senior classes in schools of nursing. To this, since 1919, her entire time is given.

Miss Hitchcock's endowment of character was of all that is best in Puritan tradition. Her "New England conscience" was united with an unfailing mellow tolerance and charity of spirit. Her high sense of duty, her deep and delicate sympathy for the individual whether patient or nurse, and her unfailing care in the details of teaching the ethical aspects of approach to the personalities of the sick, the foreigner and the stranger, gave a special value to her long service in visiting nursing, and to the influence she wielded so unobtrusively upon the younger nurses coming under her direction. Miss Hitchcock's winter home is now in Brooklyn. L. L. D.

EXTRACTS FROM AN ADDRESS ON "EVERY NURSE A HEALTH BUILDER"

BY MISS JANE ELIZABETH HITCHCOCK

It ain't the individual
Nor the army as a whole;
But the everlasting team work
Of every blooming soul.

—Rudyard Kipling.

It would be interesting to get an honest statement from every nurse in the United States as to the causes that led her into the nursing profession. I would that we might look into the heart of every nurse and see why she is such—what sentiments or events induced her choice. I fancy that they would fall under the following classification:—

1. Need of a livelihood.
2. Ambition, viz., opportunities offered by the rapid development of the profession.
3. The maternal instinct.
4. The health appeal.

The first two points may be passed by without much comment because, while there is no doubt that some are impelled by these reasons, the group is small. We would probably find, could we look into the hearts of all our colleagues, that the larger proportion are stimulated by the old fashioned maternal instinct—the instinct to nurture, to care for the helpless. This quality that is most fully exercised by wife and mother is the birthright of every normal woman. The profession of nursing presents a wonderful opportunity for its exercise. As the nurse supplements or takes the place of the mother, she cannot escape functioning as a health agent. It makes no difference in what field of nursing she works—private duty, institutional or public health—she may not avoid this responsibility.

We will turn first to the hospital—the institution that stands in the very heart of a community and from which should issue every sort of beneficent health activity. I ask you to make a mental picture, to see a woman coming to your hospital for treatment. She is the mother of a family. Her husband's income is small but with economy and health they are able to meet the expense of living and education for their brood and for themselves. Since the arrival of the last baby, the necessity of some repair work has been reiterated by the doctor. At last the mother has come to see that it is imperative for her to interrupt her home life and find some way to meet the expense of the operation. Let us say that the family consists of husband, wife and four children—the oldest a girl of twelve, and the youngest just weaned. Their home is an attractive single house with modern improvements. A young Polish girl is the maid-of-all-work. They have exceedingly kind friends, but no relatives in the small community. Reluctantly, with many backward thoughts and yearnings, Mrs. Smith has left this home and has come to occupy the bed that the Gynecologist has secured for her in the hospital. Have you ever thought how many home adjustments are represented by the number of patients in your hospital on a given day? In the case just cited the husband is away all day; the older children must be gotten off to school on time; the baby must be cared for and fed; the meals must be prepared, the house must be cleaned and no one to do it but the young Polish girl! Mrs. Smith has left it all and come to the ward of which you are in charge, because here is a building and a group of people existing for the help of herself and others like her. From the smallest stone in the foundation to the last nail in the ridge pole, and from the stoker in the furnace room to the President of the Board of Trustees, everything and everybody exists that she, Mrs. Smith, may come and find health. Do you see what a tremendous background for faith this affords? The home adjustments have been made, Mrs. Smith has come to you and has given herself up to the business of getting well. She believes that this institution holds the key to her health, and health she is staking all to secure. Was there ever a better opportunity to teach the fundamentals of health? Furthermore, tell me of a better classroom. The patients are the class, the nurses are the teachers, and the ward is the schoolroom. The activities of the ward are one continuous demonstration of health propaganda. Oh, for the day to come when principals of training schools will be so freed from the economic burden that they can include in their schedules a calculation for a certain amount of time of each nurse to be spent *in teaching the patient*.

To go back to Mrs. Smith. Her diagnosis offers a text. Why does she need repair? Why the laceration? Was her obstetrician the very best she could secure or did she indulge in a false economy, believing that "any doctor can conduct a normal delivery"? If the doctor was blameless, did the accident occur because of flaccid muscular tissue? Did she fail to keep her machinery in perfect order while it was having this extra work to do? And there you

are! A prenatal nurse giving her preliminary talks on prenatal care for the sake of the next bud-to-be on the family tree.

If I had the selection of a ward supervising nurse, I would stress the necessity of her having had some experience in visiting nursing. No lectures on social conditions, on the social significance of disease, on race habits and the like can compare in educational value with the hours that the visiting nurse spends in the homes from which a large part of the ward patients are drawn.

And now for the private duty nurse. Much that we have said to the institutional nurse we would say to the private nurse, and we would say much more. Her classroom loses the inspiration of the hospital environment but it gains by being conducted on the ground where the problems exist. It is not only the children of the poor who are improperly fed. They are not the only ones to suffer from too much stimulation and excitement. They are not the only ones who are neglected. Many sins of omission and commission are common to the rich and poor alike. In one respect, the child who attends the public school has the advantage of the one more privately reared. The public school child in an average community is periodically examined by a competent physician and his recommendations are followed up by an especially educated school nurse. All of this is an accepted part of the school system and is looked upon by the parent as an advantage to the citizens of the towns. It requires diplomacy to get attention for the child privately taught. Especially is this true if the nurse is not in the home primarily for the sake of the child. His need may be just as great as that of the patient to whom she is called, and the nurse whose objective it is to make the home healthier while she has the opportunity will seize the advantage.

Presumably we all have home towns, or at least, a spot which claims our especial interest. Are we interesting ourselves in the town's housekeeping? Who are the men who are nominated for health offices? Are we sure which is the best man for the job, If not, find the one who is, and then fight for him. The department that has the welfare of the poor in hand—the Department of Charities or the Overseers of the Poor, or whatever it is called in our own particular community—is another thing in which our training and experience gives us a valuable point of view.

All of these interests are so linked up with the education of citizens that we cannot escape a real responsibility in the choice of the best man or woman to be at the head of the school system of the town. If we are away from home, and taking care of cases elsewhere, our value to our patients will be enhanced if they find us interested and able to talk about these things, particularly if we can bring information as to how this or that was tried in another town and succeeded or failed.

Let us now consider the field of the public health nurse that we may be better enabled to compare the three branches in this particular feature. The public health nurse of today is a direct descendant of the "visiting" nurse, or "district" nurse, and she, in turn, had for forbears the widows, nuns, sisters and deaconesses who went about from house to house nursing the sick

and visiting the "fatherless and widows in their affliction". They battled with pestilence and black death. They took food and raiment to the poor. They were heroic, devoted saints, the more so because there was no element of constructive hopefulness in it. Alleviation that is not backed by the hope of eradication loses a large motive element. But they toiled on in what seems to us now to have been the dark.

Later, there appeared such leaders as St. Vincent de Paul, Pastor Fliedner and William Rathbone. But with all their leadership, nursing still remained palliative. To the United States belongs the honor of developing the public health nurse and a large part of the movement for the preservation of health. What is the public health nurse? How does she differ from her predecessors—these saints of old? Does she not nurse the sick? How does this and "health" play in team work?

The visiting nurse is a positive force during the hours in which she is in the home of a patient. With hat and wraps off, apron on, and cuffs rolled back, she works side by side with the mother who is fighting for her offspring. Everything in the little home is an open book to the nurse. She works with the freedom of a member of the family. Out of this intimate relationship has come to the nurse the question as to the WHY of certain forms of illness. Back of the WHY there has steadily grown the consciousness that health is the strongest enemy to disease. The medical profession has seen it and the community is gradually grasping the idea that establishing health in one may eliminate sickness in many. So the visiting nurse's eyes, primarily focussed on her patients, now see conditions that make for illness and are enemies to health. To cure her patient is futile unless she can throttle the monster that was the cause of the trouble. In doing so, her battle field is widened and is finally split up into many separate skirmishes. There is the fight for health in the pregnant woman; health in the school child; health in the people working in our great industries. And so, without lessening the bedside nursing of those who have lost their hold on health and are in the grip of illness, the visiting nurse senses her opportunity for preventive work.

The title, "Every Nurse a Health Builder," indicates that the health field does not belong to the public health nurse alone. It is the responsibility of each one of us who calls herself a nurse.

PERSONAL NEWS

Miss Annie Slack (1914) and Miss Elizabeth Mitchell of the Newport Hospital have opened a convalescent home at 6 Cottage Place, Newport, R. I. Miss Slack and Miss Mitchell were in Rumania together during the frightful typhus epidemic of the winter of 1916. May they be most successful in their new venture.

Though Helen Smith is not one of our graduates, still she is "one of ours" for she has been with us so long, and has helped

us out so many times that we feel sure all of our members will wish her great happiness in her new life. She was married in September to Mr. Ross Gardiner Fleming in the Toronto church where her father and mother took the same step. They plan to live in New York or Brooklyn, as Mr. Fleming's business is here. Perhaps this may prove an anchor to Verna Smith, and she may not run away from us so often!

Miss Bernetta Miller, Superintendent of the N. Y. H. Club from January, 1924, to September, 1925, has accepted a position as Treasurer at the Constantinople Woman's College, in Turkey. The Club friends wish her the brightest future in her new work.

Miss Marie Falconer motored from Jacksonville with a friend, paying the Club a flying visit in the middle of July.

Miss Marietta Wilsey motored with Miss Alice Richmond to her home in Gault, Ontario, Canada, in July, visiting Mrs. Sands.

The nurses who have held camp positions this summer were: Miss Ethel Fennemore, at Briarcliff Manor, New York; Miss Annie Earle and Miss Steveson, at Camp Songo, Maine; Miss Etta Long, Boyville, Canaan, N. Y., and Miss Frances Cobbin, Camp Edmar, Mt. Sinai, L. I.

The nurses who sailed the ocean blue this summer were: Miss Moore, of N. Y. H. and Miss Fannie Buchan, touring many countries; Miss Emma Powell, who spent the greater part of her time in Switzerland; the Misses Annie and Mary McAllister, making their stay in Scotland, and Miss Sarah Olmstead, visiting Spain.

Miss Margaret Deacon Crandall, who was married to Mr. Henry Thompson Spear at the First Congregational Church of Montclair, N. J., on August 21st, had been making her home with her brother, Mr. Joseph B. Crandall. After a wedding breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Spear started on an automobile honeymoon, touring New England and Eastern Canada. Mr. Spear is a native of Nashua, N. H., and has recently resided at the Hotel Ansonia, N. Y. He is a graduate of Tufts College, and served with the Coast Artillery, in the war.

Miss Anne A. Williamson, formerly of the California Lutheran Hospital, 1414 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, California, has changed her address to 2028 Primrose Avenue, South Pasadena, Cal.

Mrs. Elisha Keller Camp with Miss Mary Vroom as her guest has been occupying a cottage at Provincetown, Mass., during August. Miss Charlotte Birdsall has been summering at Chatham. On August 24th the three spent a delightful day with the Misses Nina and Bertha Sinnott in their charming Cape Cod home at Harmich Port. The reunion of the five N. Y. H. nurses was in such ideal surroundings for rest and relaxation that it will be long remembered. All are enthusiastic "Cape Codders".

Miss M. L. Troup (1926) and Miss Mabel J. Miller (1925) have been relieving in the Social Service Dept. at the N. Y. Hospital this summer.

Mrs. John Tolar, (Lillian Wilson, 1909) and her husband, motored up from Fayetteville, North Carolina and are now visiting her mother and sister in London, Canada.

Miss Marie Falconer, Class 1908, has been visiting her brother at Bayside, L. I.

Mrs. Hope Arnold Phillips, Class 1917, has been in New York City with her mother since the death of her husband. Mrs. Arnold, who for the past year has had charge of the Club dining room, is now leaving us, to our regret. Their future address will be, Mrs. Hope Philips, El Oro, Apt. 6, Est de Mexico.

Miss Etta Crane (1923) has taken the apartment of Miss Fredrika Muller for five months, while Miss Muller goes abroad.

Miss Verna Smith is returning to the Club after visits in Canada, concluding these wanderings by a stay in Toronto where her sister was married.

Mrs. David Alexander (Sarah Woodward, 1913) has been visiting her sister in Furleyville, Pa.

Miss Florence Mosher also left Florida to visit in Stockbridge, Mass., planning to return to her real estate business later on.

Miss Isobel Phymister (1905) is still staying at her sister's home in Montreal.

Miss Bess Bower went to Poland Springs after her season at Mt. Kineo.

Miss Gowan and Miss Nina Sinnott motored through the White Mountains, and visited Miss McCrae at her camp at Ocean Point, Maine.

Miss H. C. Carpenter has been spending a few days at the Club, revisiting old haunts.

Miss M. Jordan has returned to N. Y. Hospital after a restful vacation.

Miss Elizabeth Hay and Miss Burroughs have been staying at Atlantic City.

Mrs. James Swan entertained at luncheon at the R. C. Y. C. in Toronto in honor of Miss Irene Sutcliffe, former directress of the New York Hospital. The guests included Mrs. Charles Trow and Miss Florence Taylor.

Miss Irene Sutcliffe reports a delightful trip to Toronto where, she says, "everyone I met did something to add to my pleasure."

Miss Fannie Buchan (1903) has just returned from a trip abroad, where she motored through the Chateau country in France, and visited Italy and London.

Miss F. M. Taylor, of Madison Avenue, Toronto, entertained at tea in honor of her guest, Miss Irene Sutcliffe, of New York. A number of nurses of the New York Hospital Alumnae were present, also Miss Jean Gunn of the Toronto General Hospital. The tea room was beautifully decorated with gladioli. Mrs. Parsons presided over the tea table, assisted by Mrs. Quipp.

Miss Grafton has gone to Providence, R. I., for a brief visit. On the way back she will stop at Norwalk, and spend a few days with our friend, Mrs. Hugh R. Mackenzie.

Miss Muirhead spent her vacation at Ocean Point, Maine.

Miss Marietta Wilsey motored her father and mother to Ohio, in June. We are delighted to know that Mr. Wilsey, who was a patient in the N. Y. H. last winter, suffering from a broken leg, is now completely cured.

Miss Helen Kenneally (1915) spent a very pleasant vacation with Miss Edith Gouinlock (1919) in Canada.

The Misses Robinson, Abenathy, Tom, Holland and Mrs. Alexander have been guests at the Club, this summer.

We were sorry to hear of the illness of Miss Sydney Proctor in Quebec City.

We were sorry to hear of the illness of Miss Helen Bates, who is in St. Francis Hospital, Hartford; our good wishes for a speedy recovery are with her.

Miss Tynan (1907) had a wonderfully interesting trip through the Canadian Rockies this summer.

A very delightful Class 1906 luncheon was held at the Club, September 23rd, in honor of Miss Eleanor McPhedsan of Calgary, Alta. Many interesting letters were read from friends who could not be present. Miss McPhedsan is Superintendent of Nurses in "Alberta" Sanitarium.

Mrs. Kenneth McClelland (Betty Greyson) has enjoyed a vacation with her husband in New York, and her home in Virginia. She expects to sail soon for another three years in Java.

Miss McCrae and Miss A. L. Reutinger had several friends drop in on them at their place at Ocean Point, Maine,—Dr. and Mrs. Maitland (Lena Earle) from the West Indies, Nina Sinnot, Sarah Gowan, Bess Bowers, Helen Moir and Nan Earle.

Chances on many things for the Bazaar are floating around the Club. There are still yards of adhesive to be filled with quarters and many activities under way for the Bazaar.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Herbert Hand (Katherine Sherill, Class 1921) on the loss of her father, Dr. George Sherrill. Dr. Sherrill, who was an interne at the New York Hospital, in 1894, has been medical examiner in Stamford, Conn., since 1899, and a member of the Stamford Hospital staff for thirty years.

Our sympathy is also extended to Miss Edith Garrett, who has lost her father, and to Miss Juliette Blohme, who lost her mother very suddenly, and to Mrs. J. Tripp, whose husband, Dr. J. Tripp, died recently.

Miss Catherine Hay received a cable while on her vacation notifying her of the sudden death of her mother, in Edinburgh, Scotland. Deepest sympathy is extended to her in her loss.

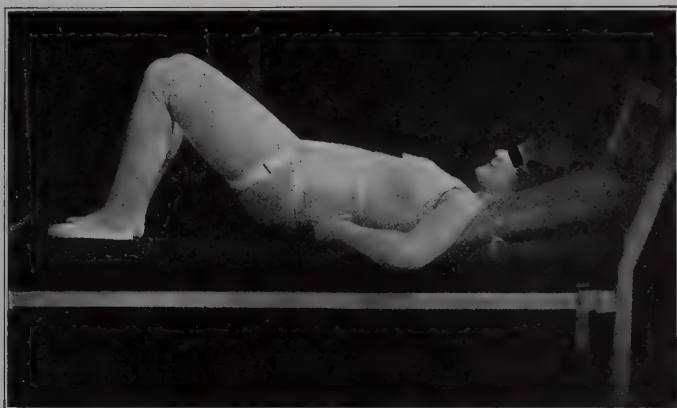
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OUR BAZAAR

In reporting on the Bazaar one is constrained to call it OUR BAZAAR, because there is not the slightest doubt that the results obtained were due to the concerted work of all the nurses interested. When one recalls the stress and strain of securing or making needed articles for sale and the efforts to interest our members and friends in the project—they must realize just how all-absorbing such a project is and give a huge sigh of relief that it is a thing of the past and a piece of "WORK WELL DONE", with our object assured.

The credit is due no one individual and your executive chairman realizes more fully than anyone else, probably, just what the enthusiasm and whole-hearted co-operation of everyone meant, and the large part this played in the success achieved.

The result was most gratifying and while the writer hesitates to emphasize the service of any particular member, and would thank all the chairmen and members of their various committees for their loyalty and hard work, yet I feel you will agree that the outstanding efforts of Miss Verna C. Smith, Miss Mathilde Jouffret, Miss Lillian Muirheid, Miss Ethel Goede and Miss Clara Green, not forgetting the excellent showing of Miss Carpenter in charge of the fish pond and Mrs. Paul Dineen whose \$1,000 net secured through the shares on the hope chest, helped to bring our receipts up materially; these should receive special mention and have our hearty thanks. The program, under the able management of Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, was and is (there are still some for sale) a work of art which will probably net us over \$500.

It seemed quite the consensus of opinion that the method of decoration was attractive, especially the doll's house with the cosy fireplace and many dolls of varied kinds from lounge flappers to those dressed like New York Hospital nurses, there being three of the latter. The candy booth under the able management of Miss Goede, represented a garden fence with brilliant sunflowers peeping through and over it; the roof was one huge sunflower and the committee must receive the credit for this original scheme.

The household table with Miss Jouffret in charge represented a lean-to with a variegated colored roof and yellow and white checked gingham curtains at the window, through which the sales were made. The toilet articles and handkerchief booth was a veritable bower of wisteria and the infants' table, of course, was pink and blue, with cherry blossoms in profusion. Mrs. James P. Erskine and Miss Vroom were in charge, with Miss MacNamara assisting. The book stall, under Miss Verna Smith, brought us a touch of Fall with its autumn leaves and chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Walter Jennings, who so generously sponsored and financed the tea room, was present both afternoons, receiving the Governors and their wives as special guests on Wednesday, being assisted by a committee of nurses as hostesses.

The following figures show the receipts to date—December 18th:

Household Table—Miss Mathilde Jouffret, Chairman.....	\$1,360.96
Candy Table—Miss Ethel B. Goede, Chairman.....	524.86
Flower Stall—Miss Edla Malmgren, Chairman.....	96.79
Infants' Wear—Mrs. James P. Erskine, Chairman.....	200.45
Handkerchiefs and Toilet.....	725.90
Articles—Miss Clara Greene, Chairman.....	345.88
Fishing Pond—Miss Theresa Carpenter, Chairman.....	148.00
Program—Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, Chairman.....	631.25
Doll Table—The Pupil Nurses, under Miss Wight.....	451.35
Mile of Quarters—Miss Lillian Muirheid, Chairman.....	509.50
Fortune Teller—Miss Elizabeth Price, Chairman.....	200.00
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Scientific Astrologer—Miss Caroline Thorpe, Chairman.....	45.00
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Tea Room—Mrs. Walter Jennings, Chairman.....	240.00
Mrs. Grace P. Rogers—Shares.....	66.50
Miss Nellie McCrae—Shares.....	144.00
Miss Nina Sinnot—Shares.....	112.00
Tips in Cloak Room (turned in by the Ward Helpers).....	14.76
General Donations.....	1,120.51
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	\$7,990.61
Cash on Hand.....	12.50
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	\$8,003.11

DISBURSEMENTS

Cost of decorating Tea Room.....	\$ 92.29
Supplies, paper, paste, wiring.....	\$16.25
4 crates southern smilax.....	40.00
36 yards green cheese cloth.....	5.04
Dennison worker, 7 days.....	21.00
Carpenter work.....	10.00
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	\$92.29
Printing, stationery, stenography, invitations, wrapping paper, twine, postage, etc.....	\$92.76 (omit)
(Paid by a member)	
Cost of Program.....	350.77
Carpenter, building 7 Booths.....	151.00
Gimbel Bros., decorating materials.....	22.26
Dennison, material.....	20.94
Ice Cream.....	14.00
Taxi (taking articles to Hospital).....	7.45
Tips for service at Hospital.....	30.00
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	\$688.71
Cost of Program will be met by returns from advertising bills outstanding.....	350.77
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Balance to be charged to receipts.....	\$333.94

In closing this report your President wishes to express her personal appreciation of the general courtesy and uniform kindness accorded her and her associates by Miss M. H. Jordan and her assistants at the Hospital. It would have been a physical impossibility for our Alumnae to have made the splendid showing they did, had not Miss Jordan, with her sympathetic and helpful support been ready to meet every problem which confronted us constantly. We would also convey our thanks to the Superintendent of the Hospital, Dr. Thomas Howell, and the Governors for allowing us to turn the Hospital upside down for a period of more than a week. It certainly demonstrated that the personnel at the Hospital is equal to any emergency.

A. B. DUNCAN, Executive Chairman.

LUCKY WINNERS OF ARTICLES AT THE BAZAAR

Miss Isabel Cerney—Set of French underwear.
Miss Anna Howe—Linen lunch set from Paris.
Miss Nellie McCrae—A woven lunch set.
Miss Marion H. Wilson—Silk hand bag.
Mr. Longueil (Patient)—Silk kimona.
Miss Blanche Gibson—Chinese Luncheon set.
Miss Lillie Lyon—Chinese glove box.
Miss H. G. Neary—Beaded bag.
Miss Nettie Silva—Pearl necklace.
Miss Edla Malmgren—The hope chest.
Dr. Schwalk (at Hospital)—A New York Hospital doll.
Mr. Walter Jennings (Governor)—A N. Y. Hospital doll.
Mrs. McMartin—Woolen Afghan.
Miss Rooe—Linen luncheon set.

DECEMBER ALUMNAE MEETING

The attendance at the December meeting of the Alumnae was unusually large due to the general interest in the Bazaar, held at the Nurses' Home, 6 West 16th Street.

After the regular reports of Committees were disposed of, the statement of the receipts and disbursements (approximate) were given by the President.

Previous to the Alumnae meeting articles which were left from the Bazaar were placed on sale under the management of Chairmen of Booths with Miss Jouffret acting as auctioneer. Under her able leadership practically all the articles were sold and the funds increased by over \$100.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Annual Convention of the New York State Nurses' Association was held at Binghamton, October 27th to 29th, and was very well attended.

There were no outstanding papers except Miss Gilman's masterly report of her work as Secretary of the Board of Regents.

The private duty problem was discussed by a doctor, a hospital superintendent, a registrar, a lay woman, and a private duty nurse, with Elizabeth Golding presiding.

A very interesting clinic was held at the Binghamton State Hospital. Tea was served by the Ladies' Board of the different hospitals in Binghamton.

A dance and bridge was given for the benefit of the Relief Fund.

The following officers were elected:

Louise Sherwood, President, Syracuse.

Lydia Anderson, Vice-President, New York.

Mrs. Clifford, Second Vice-President, Ithaca.

Miss Kranz, Secretary, Utica.

Miss Holmes, Syracuse.

Directors — Miss Linsebox, Buffalo; Miss H. Woods, Rochester.

Miss Mae Woffter of Mt. Sinai Hospital was appointed Field Secretary.

ELIZABETH GOLDING.

NOTICES

N. Y. COUNTY MEETING

The next meeting of the N. Y. will be held on January 4th. The meeting place has not yet been announced.

N. Y. H. ALUMNAE

The next meeting of the N. Y. H. Alumnae Association will be held at the Club on the thirteenth of January. This is the annual meeting.

The annual Club Tea will be held at the Club on January fourth. The nurses are invited to bring their friends.

WHO'S WHO COLUMN



FLORENCE MERRIAM JOHNSON

"The best loved nurse in New York." In such wise are those who know Florence Merriam Johnson apt to describe her. Nor is it an over statement, for Miss Johnson is endowed with a gift for friendliness that is closely akin to genius. The story of her active, joyous girlhood in Montclair, N. J., where she found her deepest satisfactions in various forms of church and social work, shows clearly the cast of mind that later brought her distinction in her chosen profession and made her a true daughter of "the greatest mother in the world", the American Red Cross. The four years spent in securing the B.L. degree from Smith College proved a stimulus to still greater activity. Amateur social work no longer satisfied, and Miss Johnson entered training at the New York Hospital School of Nursing. After graduation she went to Cornell Clinic where for a long period she was in charge of the Medical Department. The Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor claimed her for a time. Then came direction of the Social Service Department of Harlem Hospital. "How I loved it all," says Miss Johnson, when she recounts how at Christmas time even the policemen were drafted into social service. It is that rare

gift of enthusiasm which extends to the outermost fringes of those with whom she works that accounts for many of her successes. One recalls committee meetings when, with perfectly sincere persons arrayed on opposite sides of a discussion, Miss Johnson's influence has acted like one of those mysterious chemical agents, the catalyzers, bringing about a desired combination, yet remaining quite unchanged in the process. She alone knows from how many such conferences she has emerged with the responsibility for a difficult piece of work placed squarely on her own shoulders.

Miss Johnson resigned the Harlem position to become an instructor in the Department of Nursing and Health at Teachers College, the position she was occupying when she was called to take charge of the nursing service of the Atlantic Division of the American Red Cross in January, 1917. Here was the supreme test, for she was responsible for the equipment, mobilization and embarkation of 10,000 nurses. The position demanded professional idealism, administrative ability, courage, sympathy, a readiness to work with people of many minds. All these she gave and added thereto, in fullest measure, that warm-hearted, loving-kindness that took her to the piers, day or night, in storm or sunshine, for the departure or, later on, the arrival of any transport carrying nurses. No one knows to how many of the 20,000 nurses sent overseas by the Red Cross the picture of that gallant figure in the cherished uniform remains a glowing part of the imperishable memory of the war days. All across our broad land nurses are scattered who ask of those whose lot it is to travel out from National Nursing Headquarters, "And is Miss Johnson still with the Red Cross?" adding, "You know she saw 'Our Unit' off."

With demobilization came an entirely new set of problems, calling for all the stored wisdom of the years of social work; problems of adjustment, of placement and tragic problems of long continued illness. It is quite safe to say that no nurse has ever been referred or has ever appealed in vain. Miss Johnson's office became a haven for troubled nurses.

It is not surprising that she was one of the six American nurses upon whom the International Committee of the Red Cross at Geneva bestowed the Florence Nightingale Medal, which is awarded only to those who "Have especially distinguished themselves by great and exceptional devotion to the sick and wounded in peace and war."

When the Atlantic Division was reabsorbed by National Red Cross Headquarters, Miss Johnson became director of the nursing service of the New York Chapter of the American Red Cross. While she occupies that office no nurse need ever be friendless in the country's metropolis. The much needed social service for nurses which she has developed is unique—no other city has anything comparable to it. As for the Red Cross hospitality which she and her co-workers have developed, it need only be said that it is extended with equal grace to the

obscure and the distinguished. To be savored to the full, one needs to be just a little lonely. Around the globe there are nurses speaking many languages who have visited our shores and whose faces shine when the Red Cross is mentioned. They, too, are very apt to say, "And is Miss Johnson still with the Red Cross? You know she saw me off."

Lest those who have cause to know her best, her own Alumnae sisters, may think this picture of Miss Johnson a bit too glowing, it will not be out of place to remind them that this shining but deeply sympathetic spirit is capable of profound depression over the inevitable failure of even the most eager social service to repair all the tragedies of life. That, of course, is life as it comes to us all. Another cause for depression has to do with what, in such moments, she calls her own failure—the lack of adequate response to her urgent appeals for a larger enrollment of nurses in the Red Cross Nursing Service. These things are a bit of the drabness that is woven into every life pattern. Despite it the dominant color of Miss Johnson's life is vivid and shining. May the answer to that question, "Is Miss Johnson still with the Red Cross?" long be in the affirmative.

MARY M. ROBERTS.

THE SICK NURSE AND THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

By FLORENCE M. JOHNSON,

Director of Nursing Service, New York County Chapter

Among the varied activities of the Red Cross in New York has been the work for sick nurses. Many of the nurses cared for have not been Red Cross nurses but no distinction is made in our service for them.

This work was started early in 1917 at the beginning of the war, when Military and Red Cross units of nurses poured into the city by the hundreds to await their orders to sail for France. The Atlantic Division staff had the privilege of meeting these nurses, equipping many of them, caring for them when ill, and seeing them off. As they were strangers in the city, they were very glad to be able to turn to our office for assistance in their many problems.

When the war was over and they came back, our staff met them again, welcomed them, arranging, when necessary, for physical examinations, sometimes for hospital treatment, and often for convalescent care. As this work grew heavier, we were fortunate in securing the full time services of Mary

Magoun Brown, who had helped with the embarkation of the nurses during the war.

As time went on, we found many nurses settling in New York City and others returning to the city for hospitalization or care through the United States Veterans Bureau. In addition to these groups, the Red Cross scholarships brought to New York, the nurses, who were taking special training at Teachers College or Henry Street Visiting Nurse Association. The necessary close cooperation between these institutions, the nurses, and the Red Cross was carried on by our office.

Many different types of service were called for in this work, i. e., illness, homesickness and shortage of funds in some cases. More than anything else these nurses wanted genuine sympathy and this was given them by Miss Nuno and Miss Brown.

Through the generosity of the Red Cross a convalescent house for nurses in Bayshore, Long Island, was secured in 1920. This made the third convalescent home for nurses as Mr. and Mrs. Schiff at Seabright had given over their home for this purpose and also had Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Dodge at Riverdale. The house at Bayshore was originally intended for the use of the ex-service nurses, both from the Government and the Red Cross. The Veterans Bureau made use of it and as the number of ex-service nurses diminished, it became possible to extend its hospitality to nurses in other branches of work, institutional, public health and private duty, both student and graduate nurses.

A legacy for the establishing and maintaining of a convalescent and rest place for New York City nurses was left to the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor by Miss Emily Howland Bourne, and became available in July, 1924. The Red Cross was very glad to join with the A. I. C. P. in maintaining this home and a large, comfortable house at Babylon, L. I., was secured. This house has filled a tremendous need in the nursing world, and has given to hundreds of nurses, convalescence, rest and holidays.

We feel our service to the sick nurses is becoming better known as we have the splendid cooperation of all of the hospitals in the city. The superintendents of the Training Schools seem to be very glad to let us know of any sick nurses, who need a little cheer. Many of these nurses are living and working in New York City but their homes are far away and they are frequently unable to call on their families in time of need. The Presbyterian Hospital has been very generous and cares for all nurses free of charge.

When Miss Thomas and Miss Brown visit the sick nurses they bring a little cheer in the form of flowers, magazines, food, delicacies or a book from the Red Cross Nursing Service Library, any of which is always cheerfully welcomed by the nurses. We also make arrangements for the convalescence and vacations of nurses at the Babylon, L. I., Nurses House.

Foreign nurses coming to this country are met by one of

the Nursing Staff and if they are not going to remain in New York they are assisted in making arrangements for their destination. If the foreign nurses are to remain in this part of the country we help them in securing positions. One case in particular, that I think of, is that of two young Filipino nurses, who came to this country for positions, only to find one position available. We were able to place the second one. We have visited sick nurses, who do not speak English, but they know the uniform and they understand our message of kindness. Since the war many foreign nurses have come over to learn our ways and methods. It has been a great inspiration to us to have them and we find that we have very much to give and very much to learn.

During last year we made 2,025 calls on sick nurses and we feel sure that the total number for next year will be even larger. We believe this is a work, which must be needed in other cities and could be undertaken by Red Cross Chapters and other organizations. The nurses do so much in caring for others that it is a great privilege to the Red Cross, and it should be to other organizations, to assist in caring for them when they are ill or in need.

HARMON FOUNDATION PENSION PLAN

The Harmon Foundation has recently set aside a sum of money to be used in the formation of a plan for pensions for nurses, the details of which will be worked out later. It has been suggested that the nurses contribute a part toward this pension, and their employers the remainder.

PENSIONS FOR ENGLISH NURSES

"Definite steps have been taken by 69 London hospitals (containing 10,000 out of a total of 14,000 beds in London) to start a general contributory system of pensions for nurses. The scheme includes pensions for nurses in all branches of the profession as well as those in hospital service. The annual premiums will be 15% of salary and emoluments paid to the nurses, 10% being paid by the hospital and 5% by the nurse. It may include probationers after their first year of training, but the hospital is given the option of paying the policy only for those who have qualified for the State Register. The pension will commence at the age of 55 years."

—Int. Bu. of League of Red Cross Societies.

THE NIGHT NURSE

(By permission of writer)

We come at seven and go at seven, from evening until day,
We spend twelve hours in trying to keep out of each other's way;
It's up the hall and down the hall, and 'round to every door,
A constant patter, patter of our feet upon the floor.
There's something doing all the time; the bells they buzz and
moan,

Or, if the bells are quiet, why then it's the telephone;
The signal block is near worn out, the numbers fall so fast,
This night nurse business, really it is most too good to last,
It's number one she wants a drink, and number six a bath;
The next one can't turn over and to try and sooth his wrath,
We rub a lot of alcohol into his tired spine,
We really can do lots of things to make one feel divine,
And should you chance to ring your bell and we're not quickly
there,

Don't jump about, get in a rage, and muss up all your hair,
For probably we're out at lunch—you see we have to eat—
Or sitting down for just a spell to rest our little feet,
If you keep ringing patiently we're surely going to come,
Just ring and swear and ring again, just make yourself at home.
We don't care how you fuss and rave, a little thing like that,
Don't cause us any more concern than the style of last year's hat.
We love to tend and nurse you and to answer all your calls,
And to spend our nights parading up and down these classic halls.
Our hearts are full of sunshine and our eyes are full of sleep,
And heartfelt thanks for every ring that us, awake, will keep.
So ring your bells, let out your yells, just keep us on the go,
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A pretty young nurse who had the late trick at the Sloane Hospital for Women went to a play with her boy friend (not an interne). After the play they dallied over coffee until ten minutes of midnight.

"Heavens! I've got to go on duty in ten minutes!" exclaimed the nurse, rising and running to the street, where she signalled a taxi.

"Sloane Maternity Hospital, quick!" she said to the driver, her hand on the door handle.

The driver's hand shot out and closed the door, gently but firmly, as he objected:

"Not in my taxi, lady"

PERSONAL NEWS

Miss Mary Fauquier, Class 1910, Superintendent of Nurses at Beekman Street Hospital, is leaving her job, and coming to stay at the Club, after a trip to Toronto.

Miss Sutcliffe sailed for a winter in Italy on November 19th. Miss Mary Samuel went with her.

The Class of 1909 gave a tea at the Club on November 2nd for Miss Ethel Robinson and Miss Mabel Thom, before their departure for China. We all enjoyed seeing them both, and hearing about their interesting work in Peking.

Mrs. Rollin Hills gave a supper party in honor of Miss Ethel Robinson and Miss Marie Falconer. It was a pleasant reunion.

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Miss Annie Slack has returned to the Club and private duty after a successful summer in convalescent work, at Newport. She is sailing the latter part of December to visit her uncle, the Judge of Jamaica.

Mrs. Laura Marquis has gone to Nova Scotia for the holidays, and Mrs. Avery as well.

Miss Eleanor Hildick is spending Christmas at her home in Maine.

Miss Esther Gillies is in Canada for a short stay.

Mrs. Phillip Hill (Anne Peck '14) is spending Christmas in France.

Miss Ethel Thompson '13, is visiting in Switzerland.

Miss Bernetta Miller sent a Christmas card to her friends at the Club, from Constantinople.

Our kind sympathy is extended to Miss Gertrude Forbes in the loss of her mother in Toronto, October 6th, 1926.

Miss Pencheon has our deepest sympathy in the recent passing away of her youngest brother.

Our sympathy is extended to Miss Elsie Davies in the recent loss of her mother.

MARRIAGES

Helen Hunt, Class 1921, to Donald Taylor Whitmer, October 4th, 1926, in Glen Falls, N. Y.

Harriet Myrtle Avery, Class 1924, to Harland Roseboro Ennis, October 6th, 1926, in Toronto, Canada. At home after November fifteenth, at 73 Victoria Park Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

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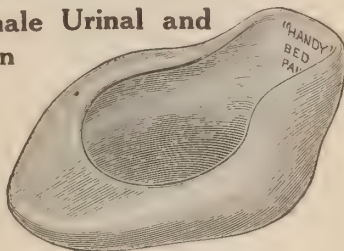
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OUR BAZAAR

In reporting on the Bazaar one is constrained to call it OUR BAZAAR, because there is not the slightest doubt that the results obtained were due to the concerted work of all the nurses interested. When one recalls the stress and strain of securing or making needed articles for sale and the efforts to interest our members and friends in the project--they must realize just how all-absorbing such a project is and give a huge sigh of relief that it is a thing of the past and a piece of "WORK WELL DONE", with our object assured.

The credit is due no one individual and your executive chairman realizes more fully than anyone else, probably, just what the enthusiasm and whole-hearted co-operation of everyone meant, and the large part this played in the success achieved.

The result was most gratifying and while the writer hesitates to emphasize the service of any particular member, and would thank all the chairmen and members of their various committees for their loyalty and hard work, yet I feel you will agree that the outstanding efforts of Miss Verna C. Smith, Miss Mathilde Jouffret, Miss Lillian Muirheid, Miss Ethel Goede and Miss Clara Green, not forgetting the excellent showing of Miss Carpenter in charge of the fish pond and Mrs. Paul Dineen whose \$1,000 net secured through the shares on the hope chest, helped to bring our receipts up materially; these should receive special mention and have our hearty thanks. The program, under the able management of Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, was and is (there are still some for sale) a work of art which will probably net us over \$500.

It seemed quite the consensus of opinion that the method of decoration was attractive, especially the doll's house with the cosy fireplace and many dolls of varied kinds from lounge flappers to those dressed like New York Hospital nurses, there being three of the latter. The candy booth under the able management of Miss Goede, represented a garden fence with brilliant sunflowers peeping through and over it; the roof was one huge sunflower and the committee must receive the credit for this original scheme.

The household table with Miss Jouffret in charge represented a lean-to with a variegated colored roof and yellow and white checked gingham curtains at the window, through which the sales were made. The toilet articles and handkerchief booth was a veritable bower of wisteria and the infants' table, of course, was pink and blue, with cherry blossoms in profusion. Mrs. James P. Erskine and Miss Vroom were in charge, with Miss MacNamara assisting. The book stall, under Miss Verna Smith, brought us a touch of Fall with its autumn leaves and chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Walter Jennings, who so generously sponsored and financed the tea room, was present both afternoons, receiving the Governors and their wives as special guests on Wednesday, being assisted by a committee of nurses as hostesses.

The following figures show the receipts to date—December 18th:

Household Table—Miss Mathilde Jouffret, Chairman.....	\$1,360.96
Candy Table—Miss Ethel B. Goede, Chairman.....	524.86
Flower Stall—Miss Edla Malmgren, Chairman.....	96.79
Infants' Wear—Mrs. James P. Erskine, Chairman.....	200.45
Handkerchiefs and Toilet	725.90
Articles—Miss Clara Greene, Chairman.....	345.88
Fishing Pond—Miss Theresa Carpenter, Chairman.....	148.00
Program—Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, Chairman.....	631.25
Doll Table—The Pupil Nurses, under Miss Wight.....	451.35
Mile of Quarters—Miss Lillian Muirheid, Chairman.....	509.50
Fortune Teller—Miss Elizabeth Price, Chairman.....	200.00
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Tea Room—Mrs. Walter Jennings, Chairman.....	240.00
Mrs. Grace P. Rogers—Shares.....	66.50
Miss Nellie McCrae—Shares	144.00
Miss Nina Sinnot—Shares	112.00
Tips in Cloak Room (turned in by the Ward Helpers)	14.76
General Donations	1,120.51
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	\$7,990.61
Cash on Hand.....	12.50
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	\$8,003.11

DISBURSEMENTS

Cost of decorating Tea Room.....	\$ 92.29
Supplies, paper, paste, wiring.....	\$16.25
4 crates southern smilax.....	40.00
36 yards green cheese cloth.....	5.04
Dennison worker, 7 days.....	21.00
Carpenter work	10.00
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	\$92.29
Printing, stationery, stenography, invitations, wrapping paper, twine, postage, etc.....	\$92.76 (omit)
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Cost of Program	350.77
Carpenter, building 7 Booths.....	151.00
Gimbel Bros., decorating materials.....	22.26
Dennison, material	20.94
Ice Cream	14.00
Taxi (taking articles to Hospital).....	7.45
Tips for service at Hospital.....	30.00
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	\$688.71
Cost of Program will be met by returns from advertising bills outstanding	350.77
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Balance to be charged to receipts.....	\$333.94

In closing this report your President wishes to express her personal appreciation of the general courtesy and uniform kindness accorded her and her associates by Miss M. H. Jordan and her assistants at the Hospital. It would have been a physical impossibility for our Alumnae to have made the splendid showing they did, had not Miss Jordan, with her sympathetic and helpful support been ready to meet every problem which confronted us constantly. We would also convey our thanks to the Superintendent of the Hospital, Dr. Thomas Howell, and the Governors for allowing us to turn the Hospital upside down for a period of more than a week. It certainly demonstrated that the personnel at the Hospital is equal to any emergency.

A. B. DUNCAN, Executive Chairman.

LUCKY WINNERS OF ARTICLES AT THE BAZAAR

- Miss Isabel Cerney—Set of French underwear.
Miss Anna Howe—Linen lunch set from Paris.
Miss Nellie McCrae—A woven lunch set.
Miss Marion H. Wilson—Silk hand bag.
Mr. Longueil (Patient)—Silk kimona.
Miss Blanche Gibson—Chinese Luncheon set.
Miss Lillie Lyon—Chinese glove box.
Miss H. G. Neary—Beaded bag.
Miss Nettie Silva—Pearl necklace.
Miss Edla Malmgren—The hope chest.
Dr. Schwalk (at Hospital)—A New York Hospital doll.
Mr. Walter Jennings (Governor)—A N. Y. Hospital doll.
Mrs. McMartin—Woolen Afghan.
Miss Roooe—Linen luncheon set.
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DECEMBER ALUMNAE MEETING

The attendance at the December meeting of the Alumnae was unusually large due to the general interest in the Bazaar, held at the Nurses' Home, 6 West 16th Street.

After the regular reports of Committees were disposed of, the statement of the receipts and disbursements (approximate) were given by the President.

Previous to the Alumnae meeting articles which were left from the Bazaar were placed on sale under the management of Chairmen of Booths with Miss Jouffret acting as auctioneer. Under her able leadership practically all the articles were sold and the funds increased by over \$100.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Annual Convention of the New York State Nurses' Association was held at Binghamton, October 27th to 29th, and was very well attended.

There were no outstanding papers except Miss Gilman's masterly report of her work as Secretary of the Board of Regents.

The private duty problem was discussed by a doctor, a hospital superintendent, a registrar, a lay woman, and a private duty nurse, with Elizabeth Golding presiding.

A very interesting clinic was held at the Binghamton State Hospital. Tea was served by the Ladies' Board of the different hospitals in Binghamton.

A dance and bridge was given for the benefit of the Relief Fund.

The following officers were elected:

Louise Sherwood, President, Syracuse.

Lydia Anderson, Vice-President, New York.

Mrs. Clifford, Second Vice-President, Ithaca.

Miss Kranz, Secretary, Utica.

Miss Holmes, Syracuse.

Directors — Miss Linsebox, Buffalo; Miss H. Woods, Rochester.

Miss Mae Woffter of Mt. Sinai Hospital was appointed Field Secretary.

ELIZABETH GOLDING.

NOTICES

N. Y. COUNTY MEETING

The next meeting of the N. Y. will be held on January 4th. The meeting place has not yet been announced.

N. Y. H. ALUMNAE

The next meeting of the N. Y. H. Alumnae Association will be held at the Club on the thirteenth of January. This is the annual meeting.

The annual Club Tea will be held at the Club on January fourth. The nurses are invited to bring their friends.

WHO'S WHO COLUMN



FLORENCE MERRIAM JOHNSON

"The best loved nurse in New York." In such wise are those who know Florence Merriam Johnson apt to describe her. Nor is it an over statement, for Miss Johnson is endowed with a gift for friendliness that is closely akin to genius. The story of her active, joyous girlhood in Montclair, N. J., where she found her deepest satisfactions in various forms of church and social work, shows clearly the cast of mind that later brought her distinction in her chosen profession and made her a true daughter of "the greatest mother in the world", the American Red Cross. The four years spent in securing the B.L. degree from Smith College proved a stimulus to still greater activity. Amateur social work no longer satisfied, and Miss Johnson entered training at the New York Hospital School of Nursing. After graduation she went to Cornell Clinic where for a long period she was in charge of the Medical Department. The Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor claimed her for a time. Then came direction of the Social Service Department of Harlem Hospital. "How I loved it all," says Miss Johnson, when she recounts how at Christmas time even the policemen were drafted into social service. It is that rare

gift of enthusiasm which extends to the outermost fringes of those with whom she works that accounts for many of her successes. One recalls committee meetings when, with perfectly sincere persons arrayed on opposite sides of a discussion, Miss Johnson's influence has acted like one of those mysterious chemical agents, the catalyzers, bringing about a desired combination, yet remaining quite unchanged in the process. She alone knows from how many such conferences she has emerged with the responsibility for a difficult piece of work placed squarely on her own shoulders.

Miss Johnson resigned the Harlem position to become an instructor in the Department of Nursing and Health at Teachers College, the position she was occupying when she was called to take charge of the nursing service of the Atlantic Division of the American Red Cross in January, 1917. Here was the supreme test, for she was responsible for the equipment, mobilization and embarkation of 10,000 nurses. The position demanded professional idealism, administrative ability, courage, sympathy, a readiness to work with people of many minds. All these she gave and added thereto, in fullest measure, that warm-hearted, loving-kindness that took her to the piers, day or night, in storm or sunshine, for the departure or, later on, the arrival of any transport carrying nurses. No one knows to how many of the 20,000 nurses sent overseas by the Red Cross the picture of that gallant figure in the cherished uniform remains a glowing part of the imperishable memory of the war days. All across our broad land nurses are scattered who ask of those whose lot it is to travel out from National Nursing Headquarters, "And is Miss Johnson still with the Red Cross?" adding, "You know she saw 'Our Unit' off."

With demobilization came an entirely new set of problems, calling for all the stored wisdom of the years of social work; problems of adjustment, of placement and tragic problems of long continued illness. It is quite safe to say that no nurse has ever been referred or has ever appealed in vain. Miss Johnson's office became a haven for troubled nurses.

It is not surprising that she was one of the six American nurses upon whom the International Committee of the Red Cross at Geneva bestowed the Florence Nightingale Medal, which is awarded only to those who "Have especially distinguished themselves by great and exceptional devotion to the sick and wounded in peace and war."

When the Atlantic Division was reabsorbed by National Red Cross Headquarters, Miss Johnson became director of the nursing service of the New York Chapter of the American Red Cross. While she occupies that office no nurse need ever be friendless in the country's metropolis. The much needed social service for nurses which she has developed is unique—no other city has anything comparable to it. As for the Red Cross hospitality which she and her co-workers have developed, it need only be said that it is extended with equal grace to the

obscure and the distinguished. To be savored to the full, one needs to be just a little lonely. Around the globe there are nurses speaking many languages who have visited our shores and whose faces shine when the Red Cross is mentioned. They, too, are very apt to say, "And is Miss Johnson still with the Red Cross? You know she saw me off."

Lest those who have cause to know her best, her own Alumnae sisters, may think this picture of Miss Johnson a bit too glowing, it will not be out of place to remind them that this shining but deeply sympathetic spirit is capable of profound depression over the inevitable failure of even the most eager social service to repair all the tragedies of life. That, of course, is life as it comes to us all. Another cause for depression has to do with what, in such moments, she calls her own failure—the lack of adequate response to her urgent appeals for a larger enrollment of nurses in the Red Cross Nursing Service. These things are a bit of the drabness that is woven into every life pattern. Despite it the dominant color of Miss Johnson's life is vivid and shining. May the answer to that question, "Is Miss Johnson still with the Red Cross?" long be in the affirmative.

MARY M. ROBERTS.

THE SICK NURSE AND THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

By FLORENCE M. JOHNSON,

Director of Nursing Service, New York County Chapter

Among the varied activities of the Red Cross in New York has been the work for sick nurses. Many of the nurses cared for have not been Red Cross nurses but no distinction is made in our service for them.

This work was started early in 1917 at the beginning of the war, when Military and Red Cross units of nurses poured into the city by the hundreds to await their orders to sail for France. The Atlantic Division staff had the privilege of meeting these nurses, equipping many of them, caring for them when ill, and seeing them off. As they were strangers in the city, they were very glad to be able to turn to our office for assistance in their many problems.

When the war was over and they came back, our staff met them again, welcomed them, arranging, when necessary, for physical examinations, sometimes for hospital treatment, and often for convalescent care. As this work grew heavier, we were fortunate in securing the full time services of Mary

Magoun Brown, who had helped with the embarkation of the nurses during the war.

As time went on, we found many nurses settling in New York City and others returning to the city for hospitalization or care through the United States Veterans Bureau. In addition to these groups, the Red Cross scholarships brought to New York, the nurses, who were taking special training at Teachers College or Henry Street Visiting Nurse Association. The necessary close cooperation between these institutions, the nurses, and the Red Cross was carried on by our office.

Many different types of service were called for in this work, i. e., illness, homesickness and shortage of funds in some cases. More than anything else these nurses wanted genuine sympathy and this was given them by Miss Nuno and Miss Brown.

Through the generosity of the Red Cross a convalescent house for nurses in Bayshore, Long Island, was secured in 1920. This made the third convalescent home for nurses as Mr. and Mrs. Schiff at Seabright had given over their home for this purpose and also had Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Dodge at Riverdale. The house at Bayshore was originally intended for the use of the ex-service nurses, both from the Government and the Red Cross. The Veterans Bureau made use of it and as the number of ex-service nurses diminished, it became possible to extend its hospitality to nurses in other branches of work, institutional, public health and private duty, both student and graduate nurses.

A legacy for the establishing and maintaining of a convalescent and rest place for New York City nurses was left to the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor by Miss Emily Howland Bourne, and became available in July, 1924. The Red Cross was very glad to join with the A. I. C. P. in maintaining this home and a large, comfortable house at Babylon, L. I., was secured. This house has filled a tremendous need in the nursing world, and has given to hundreds of nurses, convalescence, rest and holidays.

We feel our service to the sick nurses is becoming better known as we have the splendid cooperation of all of the hospitals in the city. The superintendents of the Training Schools seem to be very glad to let us know of any sick nurses, who need a little cheer. Many of these nurses are living and working in New York City but their homes are far away and they are frequently unable to call on their families in time of need. The Presbyterian Hospital has been very generous and cares for all nurses free of charge.

When Miss Thomas and Miss Brown visit the sick nurses they bring a little cheer in the form of flowers, magazines, food, delicacies or a book from the Red Cross Nursing Service Library, any of which is always cheerfully welcomed by the nurses. We also make arrangements for the convalescence and vacations of nurses at the Babylon, L. I., Nurses House.

Foreign nurses coming to this country are met by one of

the Nursing Staff and if they are not going to remain in New York they are assisted in making arrangements for their destination. If the foreign nurses are to remain in this part of the country we help them in securing positions. One case in particular, that I think of, is that of two young Filipino nurses, who came to this country for positions, only to find one position available. We were able to place the second one. We have visited sick nurses, who do not speak English, but they know the uniform and they understand our message of kindness. Since the war many foreign nurses have come over to learn our ways and methods. It has been a great inspiration to us to have them and we find that we have very much to give and very much to learn.

During last year we made 2,025 calls on sick nurses and we feel sure that the total number for next year will be even larger. We believe this is a work, which must be needed in other cities and could be undertaken by Red Cross Chapters and other organizations. The nurses do so much in caring for others that it is a great privilege to the Red Cross, and it should be to other organizations, to assist in caring for them when they are ill or in need.

HARMON FOUNDATION PENSION PLAN

The Harmon Foundation has recently set aside a sum of money to be used in the formation of a plan for pensions for nurses, the details of which will be worked out later. It has been suggested that the nurses contribute a part toward this pension, and their employers the remainder.

PENSIONS FOR ENGLISH NURSES

"Definite steps have been taken by 69 London hospitals (containing 10,000 out of a total of 14,000 beds in London) to start a general contributory system of pensions for nurses. The scheme includes pensions for nurses in all branches of the profession as well as those in hospital service. The annual premiums will be 15% of salary and emoluments paid to the nurses, 10% being paid by the hospital and 5% by the nurse. It may include probationers after their first year of training, but the hospital is given the option of paying the policy only for those who have qualified for the State Register. The pension will commence at the age of 55 years."

—Int. Bu. of League of Red Cross Societies.

THE NIGHT NURSE

(By permission of writer)

We come at seven and go at seven, from evening until day,
We spend twelve hours in trying to keep out of each other's way;
It's up the hall and down the hall, and 'round to every door,
A constant patter, patter of our feet upon the floor.
There's something doing all the time; the bells they buzz and
moan,

Or, if the bells are quiet, why then it's the telephone;
The signal block is near worn out, the numbers fall so fast,
This night nurse business, really it is most too good to last,
It's number one she wants a drink, and number six a bath;
The next one can't turn over and to try and sooth his wrath,
We rub a lot of alcohol into his tired spine,
We really can do lots of things to make one feel divine,
And should you chance to ring your bell and we're not quickly
there,

Don't jump about, get in a rage, and muss up all your hair,
For probably we're out at lunch—you see we have to eat—
Or sitting down for just a spell to rest our little feet,
If you keep ringing patiently we're surely going to come,
Just ring and swear and ring again, just make yourself at home.
We don't care how you fuss and rave, a little thing like that,
Don't cause us any more concern than the style of last year's hat.
We love to tend and nurse you and to answer all your calls,
And to spend our nights parading up and down these classic halls.
Our hearts are full of sunshine and our eyes are full of sleep,
And heartfelt thanks for every ring that us, awake, will keep.
So ring your bells, let out your yells, just keep us on the go,
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A pretty young nurse who had the late trick at the Sloane Hospital for Women went to a play with her boy friend (not an interne). After the play they dallied over coffee until ten minutes of midnight.

"Heavens! I've got to go on duty in ten minutes!" exclaimed the nurse, rising and running to the street, where she signalled a taxi.

"Sloane Maternity Hospital, quick!" she said to the driver, her hand on the door handle.

The driver's hand shot out and closed the door, gently but firmly, as he objected:

"Not in my taxi, lady"

PERSONAL NEWS

Miss Mary Fauquier, Class 1910, Superintendent of Nurses at Beekman Street Hospital, is leaving her job, and coming to stay at the Club, after a trip to Toronto.

Miss Sutcliffe sailed for a winter in Italy on November 19th. Miss Mary Samuel went with her.

The Class of 1909 gave a tea at the Club on November 2nd for Miss Ethel Robinson and Miss Mabel Thom, before their departure for China. We all enjoyed seeing them both, and hearing about their interesting work in Peking.

Mrs. Rollin Hills gave a supper party in honor of Miss Ethel Robinson and Miss Marie Falconer. It was a pleasant reunion.

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Miss Annie Slack has returned to the Club and private duty after a successful summer in convalescent work, at Newport. She is sailing the latter part of December to visit her uncle, the Judge of Jamaica.

Mrs. Laura Marquis has gone to Nova Scotia for the holidays, and Mrs. Avery as well.

Miss Eleanor Hildick is spending Christmas at her home in Maine.

Miss Esther Gillies is in Canada for a short stay.

Mrs. Phillip Hill (Anne Peck '14) is spending Christmas in France.

Miss Ethel Thompson '13, is visiting in Switzerland.

Miss Bernetta Miller sent a Christmas card to her friends at the Club, from Constantinople.

Our kind sympathy is extended to Miss Gertrude Forbes in the loss of her mother in Toronto, October 6th, 1926.

Miss Pencheon has our deepest sympathy in the recent passing away of her youngest brother.

Our sympathy is extended to Miss Elsie Davies in the recent loss of her mother.

MARRIAGES

Helen Hunt, Class 1921, to Donald Taylor Whitmer, October 4th, 1926, in Glen Falls, N. Y.

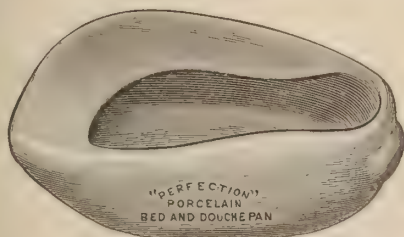
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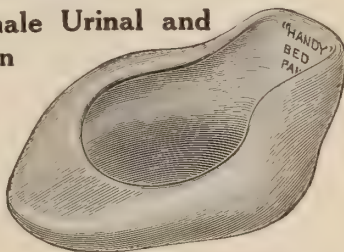
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MARCH ALUMNAE MEETING

The meeting of the Alumnae was well attended. After the regular reports of Committees and the business of the meeting disposed of, a very interesting talk was given by Miss Florence Johnson, the Director of Nursing Service, New York County Chapter of the Red Cross.

Miss Johnson spoke of the various branches of work that the Red Cross nurses were doing in the different countries. She made a strong appeal to the 1927 nurses to join the Red Cross.

After the meeting a reception was held for the graduating class and refreshments were served.

NOTICES

N. Y. COUNTY MEETING

The next meeting of the N. Y. District 13 will be held the first Tuesday in June. The meeting place has not yet been announced.

N. Y. H. ALUMNAE

The next meeting of the N. Y. H. Alumnae Association will be held at the Club on the Fourteenth of April.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY N. Y. H. TRAINING SCHOOL

The celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Training School of the N. Y. H. will begin on Sunday, May 8th, with services at the Cathedral St. John Divine and terminate with a dinner on Friday, May 13th. Programs will be sent to each graduate as soon as the arrangements are complete.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

ANNUAL MEETING, JANUARY, 1927

Fellow Members:

Not so many years ago, most of you will recall the occasion of our Twenty-fifth Anniversary, when we gathered in this room with many of our friends and listened with considerable and warranted pride to a History of how our Alumnae started—how it progressed until the time when it stood out, foremost among the Alumnae Associations, not only in the City but in the Country. We held our place among these associations for many years and even now, through the continued personal interest of a few—a very few, we are kept in touch with general nursing problems.

When one recalls the outstanding work of women like Miss Annie W. Goodrich, Dean of the Yale school of nursing, Lillian D. Wald, founder of the Henry Street Settlement, who with her

capable associates Miss Mary Booth and Miss Jane E. Hitchcock, instituted and firmly established what is today considered a National Institution, whose methods are emulated and looked up to, as the solution of the problem of nursing care to that large group of persons, who are in no economic position to engage the service of a professional nurse.

Perhaps I should have commenced with a eulogy of the little woman, beloved and revered by all those who really know her and to whom most of outstanding nurses of our Alumnae owe their successes in their profession to their association with her and the consequent absorption of the high ideals which permeated her whole character and teachings. Do I need say more? Miss Irene H. Sutcliffe will always have the love and respect of those who were privileged to work under and with her.

Many others are worthy of more than passing mention; Miss Mary Agnes Smith, Superintendent of the Babies Hospital, has through her uprightness, efficiency and personal tact placed that institution in the foreground of that special field and as we all know will in the near future affiliate with the Medical Centre now under construction in connection with Columbia University. Major Julia M. Stimson, Dean of the Army school of nursing, Miss Florence M. Johnson, Director of Nursing, Division of the American Red Cross, both college graduates, did outstanding work in the World War and are still "carrying on" to their credit and that of their Alma Mater. It would take too long to mention, at length, the splendid service to their profession, by Miss Marianna Wheeler, Miss Annie M. Rykert, Miss Lydia E. Anderson, Miss Martha Russell, Miss Mary Vroom, Miss L. J. Walton, Miss Anne Reutinger, Miss M. H. Jordan and others. Suffice it to say, we have great cause to be justly proud of these women and thankful that we have the right to claim them for our own.

With all the splendid training and opportunities afforded us, together with the fine examples set us, comes a responsibility—that of keeping alive and above reproach this heirloom of service rendered and work well accomplished.

As a Charter Member of the Alumnae Association, and having had the privilege and honor of serving in more than one official capacity since 1893, I recall vividly the many problems which presented themselves, especially after we opened our first Club House on East 49th Street. As our Club grew, naturally the responsibilities became more numerous and perplexing, and to those, who gave of their energy and time year after year, we should be eternally grateful, but at the same time realize that their day of retirement from such responsibility is upon us, and that the generation following them should seriously shoulder the burden, carry on until such time as the next generation are sufficiently conversant with the work to assume the official charge and keep up the high standards set by their predecessors. Realizing we are a Corporation under the N. Y. State laws and

responsible for keeping a 20-year contract—it behooves us to give careful thought to our selection of Officers and Directors, who under our Constitution and By-Laws are authorized to carry on the business of the Corporation, and to whom all officers of the Club are responsible.

May I say in closing, that on the whole we are a fairly happy family and although a few scraps creep in to vary the monotony, with personalities set aside, seeming difficulties will vanish right quickly. After all is said and done, is it not true that there is no one individual or group of individuals who are infallible—we are all prone to err in judgment at times and it seems so hard for the average female mind to be willing to allow the other fellow to have an opinion without taking it as an insult to their intelligence. Don't let us become like the Scotchman, who during a heated argument stated, "that he was perfectly willing to be convinced, but he would like to meet the man who could do it." Let us exercise our best efforts with an unbiased, impersonal viewpoint, having in mind, not the individual but the good of the whole.

Although it has been an unusually trying year when we consider the Bazaar activities in addition to the regular work, yet I am glad to say (now that it is a thing of the past) that I am glad to have served you another year and in closing, ask you to earnestly support your Board of Directors in their aim to do what seems best at the time, because their deliberations take in all sides of a question with no ulterior motives back of a decision.

Wishing my successor in office and her associates a large measure of joy in carrying on the business of the Alumnae and Club during 1927,

Respectfully,

ANNA B. DUNCAN.

HARMON FOUNDATION SPONSORS ANNUITY PLAN FOR NURSES

Having for its aim the provision of a pension plan for nurses and other health workers, the Harmon Association for the Advancement of Nursing was incorporated on December 23, 1926, and public announcement of its organization was made at a dinner held in the Officers' Luncheon Room of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company on January 22, 1927. A fund of \$50,000 for initial expenses was made available by William E. Harmon and the Association was incorporated as a non-profit making organization.

Mr. Harmon's first thought of such a plan came when study brought out the fact that a nurse's working capacity begins to diminish at forty years of age or even earlier and rapidly drops

off after fifty. Preliminary work of organization was undertaken in the early fall and constructive suggestions for the evolving of a practical system were received at various meetings and conferences with physicians, nurses, insurance experts and those familiar with annuity procedure.

According to the proposed plan a nurse who becomes a member of the Association will make a normal deposit of \$5.00, or more if she desires, each month and the organization or hospital by which she is employed will also deposit \$5.00 per month. Both deposits will secure a definite amount of old age income or an annuity payable to the nurse in monthly installments for life in her later years when she wishes to retire. The size of the annuity will depend on the contributions made to the Association and the age of retirement.

Plans are also being worked out whereby the private duty nurse may participate in the plan with or without contribution by her employer. Should a nurse retire from the profession or desire to withdraw from the Association she may get back the full amount of her deposits, but sums deposited on her behalf by her employers will revert to the general funds of the Association to increase the annuities of those who retain their membership; unless she has been a member and made deposits for at least ten years.

It has been estimated that a nurse joining the Association at the age of twenty-five and retiring at sixty would receive an annuity of approximately \$65 a month, and under accretions from employers' credits through the withdrawal of nurses from the profession this might be increased to as much as \$100 per month. Should she cease active work at an earlier age, her returns would be proportionately smaller, and of course larger if she retires at a later age. Annuities will be purchased through the Metropolitan Insurance Company.

HOSPITAL NEWS

The Fiftieth Anniversary Graduation Exercises were held in the Administration Building of the New York Hospital on March 9th, 1927. The Address was given by James Morley Hitzrot, M.D., Associate Attending Surgeon of the New York Hospital.

The Presentation of Diplomas and Badges was by the President, Mr. Edward W. Sheldon. A Reception and Dance followed the Exercises.

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Jean Elizabeth Thorpe
Eleanor Augusta Whittier
Gertrude B. Wiley
Hazelle Lucille Wright
Margaret Elizabeth Wyatt

Miss Spahn '26 has taken charge of the Private Operating Room.

Miss Vaughn is now in charge of Ward I.

ADDRESS TO GRADUATING CLASS

By DR. JAMES MORLEY HITZROT

Mr. President, Members of the Graduating Class, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this notable gathering is to launch upon the Sea of Life, the Class of 1927 of the Training School for Nurses. Come fair weather or foul, you have come to wish them success, strengthened as they are by the knowledge gained during the three years they have spent in their Alma Mater.

To you, members of the Graduating Class, Commencement no doubt means the end of your novitiate. You are now graduate nurses. I wonder if you realize all that that means. You are now members of a very noble profession, I like that term better than guild, whose sole aim is to minister to the needs of mankind.

Nursing is now a very different profession from that which existed during the period which Florence Nightingale made famous. Modern medicine and surgery have made great advances and many of these advances in the care of the sick, in the improvement of the hospitals, in the early recognition of the disorders of school children, in the improvement of maternity conditions, and in the prevention of human wastage in our huge industrial life have been due to the Trained Nurse. She is a very definite cog in the intricate social organization of our modern

life. In certain circles it has become fashionable to speak of her as the "over-trained" nurse. Many of you, after weary hours in the wards or in the operating room, have sympathized with that statement but experience and knowledge are never gained without effort. In no walk of life can they be gained cheaply or without training and in no walk of life is ignorance of the very fundamentals which have made you trained nurses more dangerous than it is in the care of the sick.

There are two thoughts that I want you to carry with you.

The first is the beauty of service. As Van Dyke has so beautifully said:

"Every task, however simple sets the soul that does it free.

"Every deed of love and mercy, done to man, is done to Me."

Service is the keystone of your calling. Through many weary hours you must care for the ailing, the abnormal, the discouraged individual. Mankind is difficult at the best with all the vagaries of race, habit, and creed, and to these the sick individual adds the curious mental aberration of disease. You must temper your kindness with firmness, you must combine your discipline with sympathy, but above all you must so serve your patient that he or she comes back to that feeling of peace and well-being so essential for recovery.

You are also the liaison officer between your patient and his family and friends and to a large extent can determine just how much anxiety each shall show. Handled with tact, with patience, and a spirit of kindliness you will go far to make your professional work run smoothly.

You are also the active assistant of the medical attendant. Without your close observation, without your careful cooperation the doctor may miss some essential fact which both of you in your desire to help your patient may need and need badly.

Few of you will be called upon to lay down your lives for the ideals of your profession as did Edith Cavell, but there is no more perfect evidence of the ideal of service than that given by that wonderful member of your profession.

The second thought that I want to leave with you, is that inner condition men call "Conscience." Without that inner ideal, that inner satisfaction, your profession will be a hollow mockery. No training, no supervision, no legislation can make you take all the steps so necessary in your work. Detail is always hard and your work is composed of one detail after another. If the proper care is not taken in such a single thing as cleaning the hands or in the preparation of sterile supplies think of the direful things which may result. Here is where conscience enters. No one can give it to you. No one can make you do that which you do not make yourself do. Without it you can never be all that you want to be and of course I consider that you all want to be real 1927 Nurses, latest models with all improvements.

Wherever you go, whatever you do you have behind you the traditions of a noble institution and a wonderful training school, and I know I can wish you God speed and a happy and satisfied career from all those connected with the New York Hospital.

BLOCK IS NOW OWNED BY HOSPITAL SOCIETY

The Society of the New York Hospital has rounded out its plot in the Lenox Hill section in East Sixty-ninth Street with the purchase of 507 and 509 East Sixty-ninth Street from the Lenox Hill Settlement Association, a five-story building on a plot 51 feet on East Sixty-ninth Street and a depth of 100 feet.

With the acquisition of this parcel, the Society gets the entire block bounded by Avenue A and Exterior Street between East Sixty-ninth and Seventieth Streets. The property will be improved with a modern hospital and nurses' home and training school.

The property is held in the name of the Treat Realty Co., a holding company of the hospital. Edward W. Sheldon, President of the Board of Directors of the Society, refused to discuss the matter, would not affirm or deny the sale. Thomas S. McLane, President of the Settlement Association however, said that the property had been sold to the Treat Realty Co.

(Copied from the New York Times, March 3rd.)

PERSONAL NEWS

The visit of Miss Ethel Greenwood '09 to the Club was a surprise and a pleasure to her friends and classmates. Miss Greenwood is one of the supervisors of the Royal Victoria Order of Nurses in Toronto, Canada.

Miss Rose Mackie is spending February and March in Augusta, Ga.

The friends of Miss Lammiman '09 are happy to know that she is rapidly recovering from an emergency appendectomy performed at the Woman's Hospital, Baltimore, Md.

Miss Lucie Wygant is at present a special supervisor with the Cattaraugus Co. Board of Health and the Milbank Demonstration and is living in Olean, N. Y. P. O. Box 145.

Mrs. J. Tripp (nee Ruby Riddell) is now living in Winnipeg, Manitoba, at 601 Broadway Avenue.

Our sympathy is extended to Miss Madeline O'Brien in the loss of her father who died suddenly January 29th, 1927.

Miss Helen Daum spent Christmas and the month of January at home in Ottawa, Ill.

Miss Gladys Adams has given up her position with the Rockefeller Institute in France and is now taking a special course at Columbia University, New York.

Mrs. Sullivan (nee Hannah Coffin) is welcomed back to the ranks of private duty.

Miss McCabe has gone to Glens Falls, N. Y., to recuperate

PERSONAL NEWS (Cont.)

after her long illness at the New York Hospital and the Club. She writes that every day she feels stronger than the day before and is enjoying the cold weather.

Miss Sutcliffe returned from a trip to Italy on February 24th. On Friday, February the 25th a Tea was given for Miss Sutcliffe at the Club by the Alumnae Association.

Miss Elizabeth Golding was invited to address the Connecticut State Association at Waterbury, at their Annual Meeting. Miss Golding spoke on the Private Duty. Her address was so well received that she was invited to address the general session in the afternoon. She was charmingly entertained following the meeting. Miss Golding has been invited to address the A. A. of the Beth Israel Hospital and that of the St. Vincent's Hospital.

Miss Kathleen Coleby and Miss Elizabeth Colgan are planning a trip to California via Panama leaving New York March 17th.

Miss Viola Kribbs spent the months of January and February at the Nurses' Home in Babylon, Long Island, and is now staying at home in Canada indefinitely.

Miss Eileen Daly has left the Club and is living with a friend at 1270 Madison Avenue.

Miss Danaher is visiting her friend Mrs. Hugh MacKenzie at Norwalk, Conn.

Our sympathy is extended to Miss Alice Richardson in the loss of her mother.

Miss Vera Playter left for California the latter part of January and is staying indefinitely.

Miss Lachat writes from Mentone, France, where she is with a patient and is having a very enjoyable time.

Miss Annie Slack has recently returned from a visit to Jamaica where she had the honor of being presented to their Royal Highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of York. This is not

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PERSONAL NEWS (Cont.)

Miss Slack's first curtsy to Royalty, as she was presented to the King and Queen of Roumania, and the present Queen of Greece and the Queen of Jugo-Slavia, in 1917.

Major Julia Stinson, head of the Army nurses, made the address at the graduation of Army nurses from Walter Reed Hospital. She found that many of the terms used by automobile manufacturers in advertising their cars applied equally well to the nurses. Her witty speech extolled the "smoothly functioning efficiency," the "trim lines" and the "speed" of the nurses, and ended: "When better nurses are built the Army will build them."

Mrs. Homer R. Collins (nee Martha Munn) left for her home in Talcottville, N. Y., on the 10th of March.

Mrs. Godfrey Baker (Sam Weller, '14) gave a most original party to Mrs. Karl L. Rankin (Pauline Jordan) in honor of her graduation from Columbia. The party was in the nature of a class reunion, and the tea table was a surprise in the shape of a life-sized cardboard patient, wearing the 1914 class flower, and amusingly decorated with diplomas and slogans. The guests operated upon the limbs of the patient with knives and scissors to find delicious dainties, while a long abdominal incision disclosed a huge strawberry shortcake. The class prophet, Mrs. Frederick Lau (Amy Leefe), reread the old class prophecy, and surprisingly enough, six of the 1914 prophecies have already come true. Training School pictures with large hats and long skirts called up many reminiscences and gales of laughter. Congratulations were received from Canada, California, and from other states.

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MARRIAGES

Theodora G. Huntington Class 1925, to Girard B. Henderson, January 28, 1927, in Crestwood, N. Y. At home at 10 Rich Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Camille Behiels, Class 1925, to Harry J. Smead, January 3rd, 1927. At home at 590 Bergen Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

BIRTHS

A son to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kennedy (nee Ruth Frasier), on the 22nd of December at the Lying-In Hospital.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Julius P. Collver (nee Margaret Mackay), on the 26th of February.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Parker (nee Christine Harvey).

DEATHS

Mrs. Jeannette (Smith) Tynan, Class 1908, passed away at her home in California, after a three days' illness of meningitis.

Lena M. Kelly, Class 1915, died of pneumonia at the New York Hospital, January 23rd, 1927.

Margaret A. Munn, Class 1888, died at the Woman's Infirmary, March 6th, 1927.

Minerva Dolson, Class 1894, died at the New York Hospital on the eleventh of March, following a tonsil operation at the Nose and Throat Hospital. She will be generally missed by her devoted friends.

Mary H. Young, Class 1891, died very suddenly at her home in Toronto, March 9th. Miss Young had been troubled with her heart for several weeks and the end came very suddenly.

Tourist -(slowly and painfully, from phrase book): "Avvey-vous du-de la jambon? Cette oof n' pas bong!"

Waiter—"Pardon monsieur—I fetch ze proprietaire. Me no speek Engleesh!"

"The great thing in the world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving."

"The pleasantest things in life are pleasant thoughts and the great aim in life is to have as many of them as possible."

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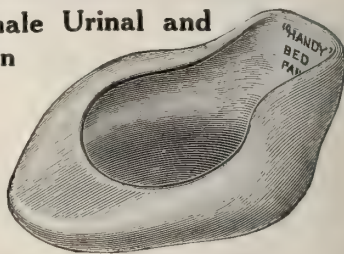
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Peck Memorial, Brooklyn	St. Mark's, New York
Prospect Heights, Brooklyn	St. Vincent's, New York
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“The MINISTRY of HELP and HEALING”

A PAGEANT

(Staged by Elizabeth Grimball)

Commemorating the Founding of
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1877-1927

PRESENTED by

The Bloomingdale Hospital School of Nursing

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May the Eleventh, Nineteen hundred and Twenty-seven
at Two o'clock in the Afternoon

"The Ministry of Help and Healing"

In the Prologue

Heralds	Arthur Yates Reginald Wade
Banner Bearers	Knute Ahnstrom Willis Aldrich Charles Hewitt Everett Knotts
Pages	Edward Deag Robert Meija
Hygeia	Louise Clark
The Spirit of Mental Healing	Ruby Moore
Science	Naomi Clark
The Sufferer	Lloyd Kauffman
Disease	Kai Loehr
Darkness	George Purvis

Synopsis

The Sufferer, representing Everyman, shadowed by Disease and Darkness, seeks aid from Hygeia, the Spirit of Healing. She points the way by summoning from the past the history of the progress and achievements of Science and Service as demonstrated by Medicine and Nursing.

Scenario

Hygeia enters, preceded by Heralds carrying banners bearing the seal of the New York Hospital School of Nursing and the Bloomingdale Hospital School of Nursing. They mount the steps of the stage. From the outer world comes the Sufferer. He is attended by two sinister figures, Disease and Darkness. The Sufferer stands before Hygeia and pleads for deliverance from his captors. Hygeia promises to show him the way to health and joy. From the past she calls memories and pictures of the triumphs of Science and Service.

The Prologue

THE SUFFERER: O Spirit of Healing, I faint with fear and pain.
HYGEIA: Who cries in dire need to the Spirit of Healing?
THE SUFFERER: I called, O Spirit. I, the Sufferer, chained by dread Disease and shadowed by Darkness. Is there no hope for me?
HYGEIA: When the Saviour of Mankind was born in Bethlehem there dawned upon the suffering world that spirit of love and compassion which has made pos-

sible a ministry of mercy to all mankind. When Science added her skill to this spirit of tender ministration, the way to a surcease of suffering was opened to Everyman.

Rest here beside me and I will call from the past those events which have made this possible here and now.

Greeting Hygeia

Friends, I bring to you a greeting and a message: a greeting of hope and a message of achievement.

From the past I shall summon memories and pictures showing how science has been in league with loving service to heal and allay the suffering of mankind.

Humanity has not lifted pleading hands in vain. The Chains of Disease have been severed by the Sword of Science. Tender hands of women, trained in the great service of nursing, have eased the tortures of pain. Without the patient heroic figure of the nurse, Science could not have achieved the victories which mark the annals of medicine.

Florence Nightingale, in her call to the women of England, said: "Nursing is an art and requires as exclusive devotion, as hard preparation as any painter's or sculptor's work. It is one of the fine arts—I had almost said the finest of all arts—for what is having to do with dead canvas or cold marble compared with having to do with the living body as the temple of God's spirit."

Scene 1

Here in America the New York Hospital was the greatest school of surgery of the whole country. It was the first to recognize and demonstrate that there must be scientific training given to nurses in hospitals. In 1798 Dr. Valentine Seaman gave the first instruction in class to nurses in his clinical lectures.

Tableau 1

The First Board of Governors

Gerald Walton, Pres.	George W. Henry, M.D.
Matthew Clarkson, Vice-Pres.	Stewart B. Sniffen, M.D.
John Murray, Tres.	George Abbott
Thomas W. Eddy, Secy.	Samuel W. Hamilton, M.D.
Elijah Pell	Clarence Hardy
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William Minturn	John W. Mackintosh
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Dr. Valentine Seaman Instructing Nurses

Valentine Seaman, M.D.	Edward Allen, M.D.
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Scene 2

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(Elizabeth Roll)

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Tableau 2

Probationers of the Day

The probationers of the days from 1880 to the early twentieth century had no special uniform but wore the everyday costume of the period.

1880	Sibyl Schrack
1890	Annie Towne
1900	Ruth Greiner

Tableau 3

A Model Ward

We cannot transport you to the great building of the New York Hospital, but we have by our magic brought before you a corner in a model ward. There is very little difference in the wards of to-day. The uniform of the nurse, however, is in the mode.

Head Nurse	Irene Bates
Senior Nurse	Josephine Stokes
Junior Nurse	Ina Stevens
Probationer	Grace Hill
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THE WAR INTERLUDE

THE SUFFERER LLOYD KAUFFMAN

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Scene 4

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During the Spanish-American War the Governors of the New York Hospital offered aid to the nation to the full extent of the capacity of the institution.

The fine art of Nursing made even the horrors of modern warfare endurable. During the World War the New York Hospital organized Base Hospital No. 9 at Chateauroux.

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SYMBOLIC INTERLUDE

THE SUFFERER LLOYD KAUFFMAN

O Spirit of Healing, you have shown me how dread Disease
and Suffering may be subdued and perchance conquered
by the skilled ministrations of Service but there is yet the
Shadow brooding over me.

HYGEIA LOUISE CLARK

Despair not, O Sufferer! I call to your aid Mental Heal-
ing whose powers and skilled magic can drive away the
Shadows from the soul of Everyman.

Music

The Bloomingdale Hospital School of Nursing

From its beginning the Society recognized the importance of and provided treatment for both mental and physical disorders. In 1808 it organized a special unit for mental cases at the general hospital, and in 1821 this was reorganized as a separate hospital, at first at what is now the site of the library at Columbia University, and now at where we are gathered.

By a cooperative arrangement, nursing education is now given in all departments of the Society of the New York Hospital. The students of the Bloomingdale Hospital School receive part of their training at the New York Hospital, and the students of the New York Hospital School part of theirs at Bloomingdale. A well-rounded plan of service and nursing education is thus provided.

SYMBOLIC INTERLUDE

BLOOMINGDALE HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING

Represented by PHYLLIS MCGILL

MENTAL HEALING RUBY MOORE

HYGEIA LOUISE CLARK

I call to the aid of Mental Healing the Spirits of Work and Play.

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The Scarf Dance

Mary Doyle
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THE SUFFERER LLOYD KAUFFMAN

O Spirit of Healing, you have shown me how dread Disease
and Suffering may be subdued and perchance conquered
by the skilled ministrations of Service but there is yet the
Shadow brooding over me.

HYGEIA LOUISE CLARK

Despair not, O Sufferer! I call to your aid Mental Heal-
ing whose powers and skilled magic can drive away the
Shadows from the soul of Everyman.

Music

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The Scarf Dance

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Irene Kelley
Edwynna Smith
Winnifred Raworth
Julia Stubblefield
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Marion Hall

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Occupational Therapy

Spinning	Inez Wenz
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The Balloon Dancers

Mary Mitchell
Irene Kelley
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Helen McCluskey
Ardis Nelson
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Tableau 4

The Games

The Archer	Winnifred Raworth
The Javelin Thrower	Julia Stubblefield
The Discus Thrower	Edwyna Smith
The Runner	Esther James

General Tableau

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THE SUFFERER LLOYD KAUFFMAN
O Darkness and Disease, shrink into the shadows!

Epilogue Louise Clark

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Slumber Song	<i>Schumann</i>
Kamenoi Ostrow	<i>Rubenstein</i>
March from "Aida"	<i>Verdi</i>
Old Black Joe	<i>Foster</i>
Tenting To-night	<i>Kittredge</i>
Long, Long Trail	<i>Elliot</i>
Coronation March, "The Prophet"	<i>Meyerbeer</i>
Souvenir	<i>Drdla</i>
Waltz	<i>Brahms</i>
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WILL THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL GRADUATES PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN ALL LEASE CARDS BY AUGUST FIRST, AS AFTER THAT DATE WE LEASE TO OUTSIDE PEOPLE.

NELLIE McCRAE, Superintendent.

MEETINGS

The next meeting of the New York District 13 will be held the first Tuesday in October. The meeting place has not been announced.

The next meeting of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association will be held October 13th, 1927 at the Club House, 317 West 45th Street, New York City.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be held Thursday evening, July 7th, 1927.

The Middle Atlantic Division of American Nurses' Association held their Second Biennial Conference at the Pennsylvania Hotel, New York City, on April 28th and 29th, 1927.

Miss Turnbull of Pennsylvania was elected the new President.

Among the subjects that were discussed were: "Private Duty Nursing," "Public Health Nursing," and "Visiting Nursing."

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY N. Y. H. TRAINING SCHOOL

The celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Training School of the New York Hospital began May 9th and terminated May 13th. There were about two hundred and ninety-five graduates that registered. Because of space we will not be able to publish the names of all the nurses that took part in the celebration. Many came a long distance to help make it a successful event.

The program of the week and all the addresses will be published in book form and a copy sent to each graduate. For this memorial of our celebration we are deeply grateful to the President and the Board of Governors of the Hospital.

The following letter from the Chairman of the Committee was read at the June meeting of the Alumnae Association:

TO THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Commemorative Exercises of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the School of Nursing at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on May 9th were most impressive. The addresses of Bishop Manning, Mr. Sheldon, Miss Goodrich, Miss Anderson and Dr. Finley were much appreciated, but the address of Miss Goodrich and the History of the School by Miss Anderson were enthusiastically received.

On the following day opportunity was given for the reunion of classes and for the enjoyable Reception of the School. The excursion to White Plains was memorable. We were welcomed to Campbell Cottages by a group of happy children waving flags and singing songs of welcome. Then conducted through exquisitely kept cottages. From there to Bloomingdale Hospital, where we received a cordial greeting from the officers of that institution. After a bountiful luncheon a historical pageant, "The Ministry of Help and Healing," was presented. A delightful drive home ended a wonderful day.

Maternity Center was interesting and instructive and luncheon was served by our hostess. In the afternoon we visited Henry Street Settlement which has a special charm, motion pictures were shown and tea served.

A very enjoyable reception at the Club followed the monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association. Hospital Day was appreciated, all departments were visited and motion pictures shown by the Social Service Department. Dinner at the Hotel Astor was admirably managed and a fitting ending of a very happy week.

We must all feel grateful to the many who worked faithfully to make the Anniversary a success. We are especially grateful to the President and Board of Governors for their interest and assistance, also to the Directress of the School to whom is due a large share of the success of the undertaking.

A large number who helped by their presence and encouragement should not be forgotten.

The celebration would not be an unqualified success if it were only a happy week of greeting and pleasure, but it will be an inspiration for years to come bringing us nearer and dearer to each other and stimulate our love and loyalty to our dear old New York Hospital.

IRENE H. SUTLIFFE, Chairman of Committee.

Your jolly self and merry smile
Have helped us over many a stile
'Tis hard to sing what you mean to us,
The scale does not hold notes enough.
Good scout—full of pep,
We think you're mighty fine,
Hard labor, vast patients—
Keen humor—co-operation.
Miss Anderson, you're true blue."

"BY A PUPIL."

PERSONALS

Miss Marie Falconer has joined Miss Gill's staff at the White Plains Hospital.

Miss Elsie Davies has taken charge of the Out Patient's Department at the Flushing Hospital, Flushing, L. I.

Miss Muirheid is acting Registrar at the Club during Miss Wood's absence for the summer months.

Miss Verna Smith and Miss Lavinia Wood have gone abroad for a stay of about six weeks sailing from Quebec on June 15th.

Mrs. Nutall and her sister are going abroad for a several months stay.

Miss Nina Sinnott has left the Club for the summer going to her cottage on Cape Cod, Miss Florence Creighton has gone with her as her guest. Miss Bertha Sinnott follows later.

Miss R. Lee Cromwell was absent from the Club in May. She spent the entire month in Texas.

Miss Marian Wilson relieved Miss Cromwell in the Club office.

Miss Crane has returned to the Club to live.

Miss McCrae expects to spend the month of August at her brother's ranch in Washington.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Maitland and Miss Annie Earle in the loss of their mother on May 8th.

Sympathy is also extended to Miss Mary Beecroft in the loss of her mother in March after a long illness, at Vineland, N. J.

We wish to correct an item that was published in the April issue about Major Stimson addressing a graduating class at the Walter Reed Hospital. The item was taken from a newspaper. Major Stimson writes:

"In the first place it is not always well to believe everything you see in the newspaper. The information about an address made by me at 'the graduation of Army Nurses from Walter Reed Hospital' was a casual comment in a syndicated article which appeared in many papers and does not give a correct statement of the case. We had a capping party at the Army School of Nursing in January at which forty-seven students completed

their preliminary course and received their caps. Upon this occasion I made a very light and frivolous talk in automobile language but it was not such a dignified and formal occasion as a graduation."

Miss Marguerite Gilatt has gone to her home in Scranton, Pa., to recuperate after having undergone an operation at the Orthopedic Hospital.

Sympathy is extended to Miss Olive Secord in the loss of her father in April and to Miss Marguery Lewis in the loss of her mother in June.

Miss Minnie Taylor sailed for abroad on May 28th for about six weeks, visiting England, France and Belgium.

Mrs. R. S. Killip (nee Mabel McMann) has joined the ranks of special duty for the summer and is living at the Club.

Miss Alice Himes and Miss Helen Daum spent a short time in Troy, N. Y., during the month of June.

Miss Hulda Loomis has gone to her home in Boonville, N. Y., for the summer.

Miss Edith Gouinlock has gone to Toronto and Stony Lake for the summer.

Miss Bethel Bane and Miss Theresa Carpenter are planing a trip to California in July for an indefinite stay.

Miss Colby is recuperating very rapidly after an operation at the New York Hospital a short time ago.

Mrs. Ross Fleming gave a Tea for her sister, Miss Verna Smith, on June 12th. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Daum, Misses Helen Daum, Alice Himes, Marie Cameron, Nellie G. Wilson, Emily Stewart.

Richard Carey, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Brock Carey of Santa Rosa, Calif., was drowned May 7th. He was twenty years of age, and graduated with high honors from Pasedena University. Mrs. Carey was Margaret R. Somerville, Class 1897.

On May 14th, Mrs. Vaughn Lewis gave a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Abbott Jenks (Irene Buckland) the guests were Mrs. R. H. Williams, Mrs. M. E. Marsland, Minnie Taylor, Helen Bates, Mrs. A. Daum, Edith Gouinlock and Mrs. L. B. Kingery.

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Miss Olmstead was entertained at dinner and bridge by friends at the Club before sailing for Europe. She expects to be gone about ten weeks.

Miss Alice Ellison of Campbell Cottages, White Plains, gave a very elaborate luncheon and entertainment on Thursday, June 16th, for her classmates. Nine were able to be present including Miss Ellison. The children looked very beautiful in their gay costumes dancing, singing, and reciting in the sunshine, forming an aisle through which the guests of the day passed. An official photographer arrived and tried to dampen our spirits but with little success (we hope). Those present were Misses Elizabeth Bower, Elizabeth Burroughs, Elizabeth Hay, Mrs. Kuhne, Mrs. Cutler, Mrs. Multer, Miss Isabel Gordon, and Mrs. Hartman.

After a most bounteous luncheon an entertainment was staged by eighty-six children residing there. Each one insisted upon taking some part in the entertainment.

Miss Elizabeth Richmond and Miss Isabel Phymister were unable to be present at the last moment greatly to their disappointment. Miss Ellison received letters from Miss Margaret Paisley and Miss Mattie McCabe who were not able to be present.

NEW YORK HOSPITAL PERSONALS

Miss Moffatt spent two very enjoyable weeks in March in Bermuda.

Miss Moore spent the last week in March and the first week in April at St. Petersburg, Fla., with her family.

Miss DeWitt has resigned her position as assistant in the Public Operating Room to take effect July 1st.

Miss Mabel O'Brien is spending the month of July in Montreal.

Miss Russell has accepted a position as suture nurse in the Public Operating Room.

"Well, son, how're you getting on?"

"Great, dad! I'm working for a new concern now"

"M-m, that so. Who are they?"

"Earnmore, Spendless and Savemore!"

Mrs. Alfred Daum entertained at a buffet supper on May 10th at her home, 10 Sherman Avenue, New York City. Those present were Mrs. Abbot Jenks, Mrs. F. McNaughton, Miss Helen Daum, Miss Alice Himes, Miss Eleanor Hildick, Mrs. F. Glass, Mrs. Fraiser, Miss Lillian Kidney, Mrs. A. Ferguson, Mrs. M. E. Marsland, and Miss Marian Ferguson.

A letter was recently received from one of our members at Peking Union Medical College that they have been carrying on in a happy and peaceful way. Miss Colver will be leaving for home about the middle of September.

MARRIAGES

Miss Ruey B. Jones, Class 1925, to Mr. Edward McCoy Schmidt, June 24, 1927, at Mineola, L. I.

BIRTHS

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. D. U. Eager (nee Mildred E. Kime) on the 29th of April at Albany, N. Y.

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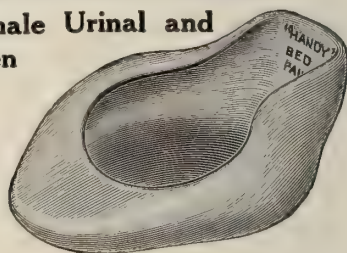
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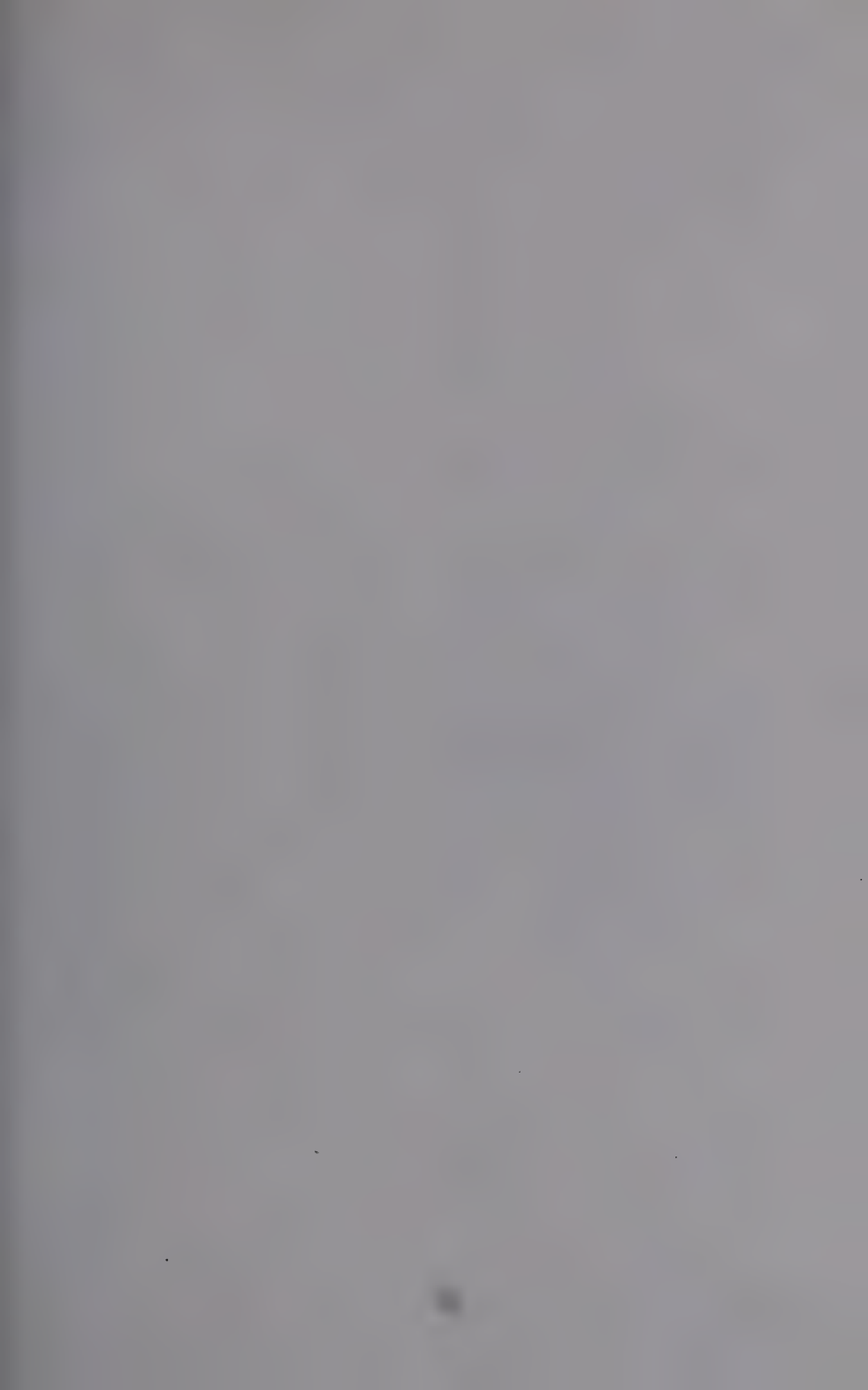


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HOME COMING GATHERING

On October 6th there will be a Tea at the Club, four to six o'clock, with Miss Irene H. Sutcliffe our guest of honor.

JUNE ALUMNAE MEETING

The regular meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Club with a goodly number in attendance for this month.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were questioned by Miss Grafton, who claimed that the motion made to increase the Registration Dues was irregular, in that another motion had been made and carried, previously, to postpone action until the private duty nurses could hold a meeting. As there was no record of such a motion the Chair asked for information. There was a division of opinion regarding the matter and discussion was deferred under the head of new business.

Reports of the Club House and Treasurer were read and approved and Miss Wilsey read Miss Sutcliffe's report as Chairman of Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration, which had proved such an outstanding success. In this connection, Miss Benz moved a rising vote of thanks to Miss M. H. Jordan for the splendid work during the time of the celebration, much of the success being due to her untiring efforts and co-operation.

The question of our donating \$200 for relief of the flood sufferers having been referred to the Finance Committee, they recommended that we give \$100. Miss Benz drew the attention of the members that our donations were limited under the rules of incorporation. The point being well taken the matter was tabled by motion.

Miss Theresa Carpenter was appointed our official representative at the State Meeting in October and on motion all graduates of the N. Y. H. attending the Convention were voted delegates to the number we are entitled.

Under new business, as there was an unfortunate division of opinion regarding the question of Registry Dues, it was moved and carried to expunge the minutes of all action and start clear. Mrs. MacIntyre asked for an opinion as to whether the raising of dues after the date of the fiscal year was legal. As this action was discussed at the April meeting and decision deferred until the May meeting to give the private duty nurses time to confer, some thought this deferred action might be considered legal inasmuch as no dues were taken until the question was settled. After much thought, it was moved, seconded and carried that the matter be referred to the Executive Committee to clear up the point under question, and if found irregular, the matter be left to another year.

Our speaker of the evening, Miss Woughter, Secretary of State Nurses' Association, was obliged to postpone her talk to some other date as it was then too late for a program.

CAVELL MEMORIAL CHURCH

A memorial church in honor of Edith Cavell is to be built in Jasper Park, in the Canadian Rockies. It will stand on the shore of Lake Beauvert, facing the mountain which bears her name, and in design will follow Norwich Cathedral, where she worshiped as a child and in the shadow of which she is buried. The proposal to build the church grew out of the custom of holding an annual memorial service at the base of Mount Edith Cavell.

FRESH AIR HOME FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

Miss Eleanor M. Dinehart writes of her work at this interesting place as follows:

"There is much to be said and so little I can say, not being of a literary turn of mind. We have forty children, ranging in age from five to thirteen years, the older group dating back to the poliomyelitis epidemic of 1916. Some are most terribly crippled, but with braces and jackets and a combination of both, they manage to extract a great deal of enjoyment out of life. They play baseball all summer, boys versus girls, and go sea bathing. They also dance Folk dances, not very gracefully I grant you, but from all their games they derive enough pleasure to keep them very happy and contented and in better health.

"They have made some very nice hand work in the school room, such as wooden toys, basket weaving, mat weaving, painting, hand sewing and artificial flowers. When one realizes that nearly every child has one crippled hand, we marvel at their dexterity. Five children received prizes for books of pressed wild flowers, the covers of some being unique, done in crayon. The entries were made at the Southampton Flower Show.

"The home is delightfully situated on a knoll where one can view the sea and surrounding country from the upper porch. All porches are enclosed in glass and screened, allowing the children to sleep out-of-doors. The food supplied is the best that can be purchased, to which the rosy cheeks of the children will testify.

"As you will surmise, our one object is to return the children to their homes filled with health and vigor. They are a very happy little group and I have enjoyed every moment of the time with them.

"The staff consists of a Nurse, Miss M. H. Wilson, a Teacher and myself."

ELEANOR DINEHART.

WHO'S WHO

Miss Martha M. Russell, Class 1894, has recently been appointed Superintendent of the Camden-Clark Hospital, Parkersburgh, W. Va., and will assume her duties about the 15th.

Immediately after graduating Miss Russell became Hospital Head Nurse at the Knickerbocker Hospital, May, 1895, to October of the same year, going as Assistant Superintendent of the Providence, R. I., Lying In Hospital, where she remained until November, 1903.

Between the years 1904 and 1917 Miss Russell was superintendent of the Sloane Maternity Hospital, New York City, which position she vacated to assume charge of the American Red Cross Service in Paris during the World War. For distinguished service in the American Red Cross, Miss Russell was presented with the Florence Nightingale Medal, being one of six nurses to receive this honor.

On her return to this country, Miss Russell took a Post Graduate Course at Teachers College, Columbia University, in Hospital Administration.

Other positions held by Miss Russell have been: Director of School of Nursing, University of Colorado, Boulder, Col.; Superintendent of the Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, N. Y. Our good wishes go with Miss Russell in this new position.

REGISTRY NEWS

At a meeting of the Board of Directors it was moved, seconded and carried that the Registry Dues be \$10.00 per year and Club Dues \$5.00. Any Nurses who graduated 25 years ago and wishes to, need only pay \$5.00 a year Registry Dues and \$5.00 Club Dues.

Miss Gladys Adams was appointed a member of the Registry Committee of which Miss Slack is the Chairman. As Miss Adams has been making an extensive survey of the Registry situation in New York for the N. Y. County Association, her services on this Committee should prove of real value in the deliberations of this subject.

MEETINGS

The next meeting of the New York District 13 will be held the first Tuesday in October, at Central Club for Nurses, 132 East 45th Street.

The next meeting of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association will be held October 13th, 1927 at the Club House, 317 West 45th Street, New York City.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be held Thursday evening, October 6th, 1927.

The New York State meeting will be held in Rochester, N. Y., October 25th to 27th, inclusive.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATED REGISTRY GROUP

NURSES AGREE ON \$10 PAY FOR 24-HOUR DAY

Half of Those in City Participate in Associated Registry
Movement to Regulate Their Profession

SEVEN BIG HOSPITALS APPROVE

Rate in Private Homes Set at \$8 for 12-Hour Period,
With Meals Provided

A standardization of the fees and duties of registered trained nurses for New York City has been effected through a new organization known as the Associated Registry Group, which controls the services of about half the trained nurses for New York City, it was announced.

The Official Registry (formerly the Central Registry for Nurses) at 132 East Forty-fifth Street, and the seven training schools for nurses connected with the large city hospitals have agreed to uniform charges for the services of registered nurses and uniform definitions as to their hours of duty.

ASSOCIATED HOSPITALS AND RULES

The hospitals associated in the group are Bellevue, Mt. Sinai, New York, Post-Graduate, Presbyterian, Roosevelt and St. Luke's. Together they carry on their books about 3,000 nurses.

"Twenty-four hour duty, \$10; twelve-hour duty, \$8.

"Twenty-four hour duty is reckoned from 9 to 9 o'clock; twelve-hour duty from 7 to 7 or 8 to 8 o'clock. A nurse is entitled to full pay for any part of the period.

"These rates and hours prevail for all types of cases in private homes. They do not apply to hospitals.

"In all cases \$2 extra will be charged for each additional patient (in obstetrics mother and child count as one).

PATIENT PAYS RAILROAD FARES

"All traveling expenses and laundry for out-of-town cases are to be paid by the patient.

"Where meals are not provided, an allowance of \$3 per day must be made.

"When on twenty-four hour duty nurses should have at least six hours for sleep and three for recreation.

"In cases requiring special training, or for hourly nursing, rates may be adjusted with the registrar."

Mrs. William Church Osborn is chairman of the joint committee for the nurses, and Mrs. Alfred F. Hess is secretary. Dr. Samuel A. Brown and Dr. Nathan B. Van Etten represent the medical profession on the committee.

HOSPITAL REPRESENTATION

The hospitals are represented as follows: Bellevue, Miss Mary E. Allerdice and Miss Sara E. Shaw; Mount Sinai, Miss Elizabeth Dixon and Miss Elizabeth A. Greener; New York, Mrs. Agnes McIntyre and Miss Annie Slack; St. Luke's, Miss C. B. McMullen and Miss Y. Maude Cutler; Post-Graduate, Miss Mary J. Carmody and Miss Amy F. Patmore; Presbyterian, Miss Helen Young and Mrs. Florence Webber; Roosevelt, Miss Amy Sallade and Miss Edwarda Crandall; official registry, Miss Virginia Ryphenberg.

The rates charged for nursing service are based on an investigation made a year ago under the auspices of the New York State Medical Association by a committee headed by Dr. May Burgess, in which it was disclosed that the average yearly income of a nurse was not more than \$1,400, although she must spend three years in professional training and maintain a high standard of living.

NEW YORK HOSPITAL PERSONALS

Miss Minnie Jordon is spending the month of August with her sisters at Prout's Neck, Maine.

Miss Lydia Anderson was at Camp "Cool Ledge" at Sabasco, Maine, for the month of August.

Miss Beach spent the month of July at her home at Noank, Conn.

Miss K. Schuler spent the month of July at Martha's Vineyard.

Miss Hazel Emmett went to her home in Toronto for the month of August.

Miss Spahn and Miss Vaughn went to Casco, Maine, during August.

Miss Nellie Rough has taken a position at the N. Y. H. as Charge Nurse of Ward E.

Miss Ethel Byrd resigned as Charge Nurse of Ward K and has returned home because of her father's illness.

Miss Calhoun spent her vacation at Eddy Farm, Port Jarvis.

Miss Walton spent the month of September at her home in Toronto.

Miss Cattelain has resigned as night supervisor and is spending her vacation at Northfield, Mass., with Miss S. J. MacKenzie. Miss Cattelain enters Cornell College at Ithaca this Fall.

Miss Bartlett of Ward G is spending the month of August at her home.

Miss Arthur was at her home in Hartford, Conn., for the month of August.

Miss Wight also spent the month of August at her home.

Miss Moffatt spent a very enjoyable month of September at Stonington, Conn.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Avery spent her vacation in Nova Scotia.

Miss Juliette Blohme had a pleasant sojourn at the Blue Mountain Lake, New York.

Miss Bethel Bain and Miss Theresa Carpenter are taking a long vacation in California.

Miss Blackley spent some time at her home at Jackson Point, Canada.

Miss Margaret Bellinger took several motor trips with friends and had a most enjoyable time in the Cape Cod section.

Miss Blake spent a very happy time at Williamstown, Mass.

Miss Eva Bryan and Miss Morrison spent a very enjoyable time in Toronto and the Muskoka Lakes, Canada.

Miss Beveridge spent her vacation at Wyckoff, N. J.

Miss Burke and Miss Elizabeth Long spent a few weeks at Asbury Park.

Miss Grafton had a very enjoyable trip around Nantucket.

Miss Duncan and Miss Wilsey with Mr. and Mrs. Wilsey had a very delightful trip to Alaska. Their itinerary was through the Canadian Rockies, Bauff and Lake Louise, returning by Yellowstone Park.

Camp positions were held during the summer by Misses Annie Earle, Isabel Cerney, G. de Cou, Ethel Fenemore and K. Whitton.

Miss Lachat returned to the Club in July after six months abroad.

Miss Muriel Acton has returned to the Club to live.

Mrs. Thomas Truelove, nee Ruby Butner, '24, has just had a slight operation and is reported as recovering rapidly.

Miss Jean Melville was a patient at the N. Y. H. early in August for a short time and we hope she has recovered.

Miss Conway spent some time at St. Sauveir de Mts., Province of Quebec.

Miss Frances Bell spent some time at East Riverside, N. B.

Miss Maud Creighton spent the summer at LeFroy, Canada. Miss Florence Creighton spent part of her vacation with Miss Nina Sinnott at Harwichport, Mass.

Mrs. Howard Rolston (Lula B. Ryan) and her husband are sailing September 11th on the Steamship DeGrasse from New York for France where they will partake in the business and festivities of the American Legion.

Miss Lavinia Wood and Miss Verna Smith had a very interesting trip to five European countries. When in Paris they spent a few delightful hours with Miss Isabelle Earle, who was inquiring for many of her old New York Hospital friends. Miss Earle does private nursing and is frequently at the American

Hospital, where Dr. Sargeant, the ex-interne of the New York Hospital, is House Physician.

In London Miss Wood had a 'phone conversation with Miss Ann Hatton, but owing to the death of her brother she could not leave her sister to go to London to see Miss Wood.

In Quebec Miss Sidney Proctor entertained Miss Wood and Miss Smith at a luncheon.

Miss Proctor is very busy in the summer with her work in the Canadian Immigration Department.

Miss M. J. McCabe made a short visit to the Club before going on to Allenhurst, N. J., to spend the rest of the summer with her niece.

Miss Gowan spent her vacation in Manchester, Mass.

Miss Colby sailed for England in July, remaining one week.

Miss McCrane stopped at Yellowstone Park on her way out to Yokima, Wash., where she spent the month of August.

Miss Hildick spent the summer at her home in Sterling, Mass.

Miss Mabel Starr and Miss Tomlinson had a pleasant time camping in Cornwall, Conn.

Mrs. Hoskings with her sisters, the Misses Ada and Juanita Woods, spent a very enjoyable two months in New London, N. H.

Miss Trimpi sailed on the S.S. Granada di Giorgia for Jamaica for her vacation. Miss Brown, a resident guest, accompanied her.

Miss Margery Lewis and Miss Helena Boyd spent a pleasant time at Booth Bay Harbor,, Maine.

Miss McNish spent a happy time in Ottawa, incidentally making the acquaintance of the Prince.

Miss Helen Muddell spent some time with Mrs. H. K. Ennis (Harriet Awrey) at Toronto.

Miss Nettie Nudell spent part of her time this summer at Georgian Bay and in Toronto.

Miss Olive McDougall spent her vacation in Nelson, B. C., Canada.

Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers spent the month of July at Shelter Island Heights.

Miss Maud Rowsell spent part of the summer attending Summer School at Columbia.

Misses Nina and Bertha Sinnott spent the summer at Harwichport, Cape Cod, at their summer home.

Miss Tyberg went to Cliff Island, Casco Bay, Maine, for the summer.

Miss Amy Wright spent the summer with her family in Renfrew, Ontario, where her sister, Mrs. E. H. Fraser, joined her.

Miss Gouinlock spent the summer at Toronto and Stony Lake, Ontario.

Miss Winants spent some time at Asbury Park.

Miss Wikinson went to Woodstock, Ontario, for the summer.

Miss Marian Wilson and Miss Dinehart had positions at the Fresh Air Home for Crippled Children at Southampton, L. I.

Miss Gladys Morton and Miss Florence Mosher paid a flying visit to the Club in August.

Miss Sarah Olmstead spent the summer traveling abroad. Getting to be a habit.

Miss Seely and Miss Silva spent their vacation together in Chester, Pa.

Miss Keneally sailed for a trip to Bermuda in September.

Miss Elizabeth Price spent a part of the summer in New Haven, Conn.

It is reported that Miss Colver is returning from the Peking Union Medical College to the Club. Miss Colver is planning to leave China in October and is stopping over in Japan and in Seattle.

Miss Burroughs vacationed at Minniwaska, N. Y., and Miss Nicodemus made quite a sojourn at Crystal Lake where she was joined by Misses Gattrach and Lammiman.

In October Miss Ella Rogers starts on a 'round the world trip, having paid the Club a short visit recently.

Miss Nickodemus has been at the usual place, Crystal Lake.

Mrs. Nutall has gone abroad for an indefinite stay.

We had short visits from the following graduates: Miss Maud Ferguson, on her way to Maine; Miss Abbie Robinson, Miss Bertha Luce, Miss Mosher, Miss Florence Nash, Miss Tucker and Miss Rose Mackie.

Miss M. Jouffret accompanied her sister, Mrs. Rollin Hills and Dr. Hills, on a delightful motor trip through the Mohawk Trail to Boston and Cape Cod, calling on Miss Nina Sinnott at Harwichport, Mass. After visiting all points on the Cape they returned by way of New London, where they took the boat to Shelter Island.

Miss Elizabeth Golding has been ill at the N. Y. H. and after a short rest at Babylon House, she will leave for her home, 3625 Canal Street, New Orleans, La., where she will make an indefinite stay, and undoubtedly will be glad to hear from her friends. The best of wishes go with Miss Golding for the complete recovery of her health.

We regret to report the illness of Miss Elizabeth Johnson who is at the N. Y. H.

Miss Irene H. Sutcliffe expects to return to the Club early in October, and her many friends will welcome her back with the hope that her summer has proved a very beneficial and happy one.

Miss Gudren Johannasen has returned to her home in Norway.

The following nurses have come back: Miss Louise Weber, who has been in California; Miss Jessie King, Miss Long, from Atlantic City; Miss Mary Cameron from Lake Placid, N. Y.; Miss Frances Bell, Miss Bess Bower, Miss Conway, Miss Strombom, Miss Gelatt and Miss Phymster.

Miss Anne Reutinger has been at Ocean Point and had as her guest, Miss Annie Earle.

We are to have Miss Marjorie Lewis at the Club for a few months this year.

The Misses Wallace are in Canada, Miss S. J. McKenzie at her home in Northfield, Mrs. Marquis in Canada and Miss Minnie Taylor abroad.

Miss Anderson writes from Indian Harbor, where she is with the Grenfell Association, saying she is rushed at the hospital, having 22 patients to care for and no assistant. Eleven of these will go South with the next steamer but they may receive the equivalent from the North. Miss Anderson expects to return about October 1st

Miss Lillian Muirheid is spending September in Trenton.

Mrs. Susan K. Ziegler will live at the Club this year.

MARRIAGES

Miss Lorna Vanderwerker, Class of 1923, to Mr. Baxter H. Betts, on September 3rd, 1927, at Schuylersville, N. Y.

Miss Orpha Saunders, Class 1920, to Mr. Horace Maher, on August 5th, 1927, at Riverside, Conn.

Miss Nellie G. Wilson, Class 1913, to Mr. Archibald C. L. Harshaw, on August 2nd, 1927, at St. Catherine's, Ontario.

BIRTHS

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Munroe, nee Agnes Moir, Class '18, on July 16th, 1927, at Claresholm, Alberta.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Beals, nee Dorothy Mulligan, Class '24, at Sloan Hospital, New York City.

A child (?) to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Crossman, nee Emily Whittard, Class '24.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Donald T. Whitmar, nee Helen Hunt, Class '21, on August 4th, 1927.

A daughter, Mary Therese, to Mr. and Mrs. C. Coleman Carven, nee Mary Fraser, 1922, on July 24th, 601 East 21st Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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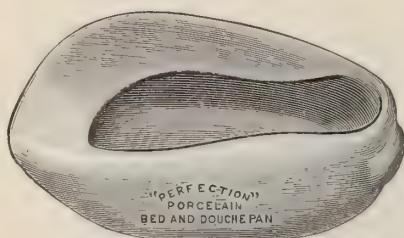
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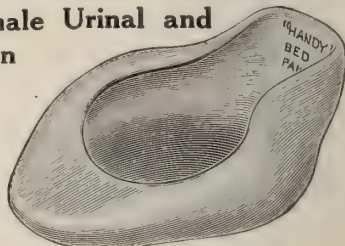
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THE ANNUAL TEA

The members of the Alumnae Association and their friends are cordially invited to the Annual Tea to be given at the Club on December 29th, from four to six o'clock. The guests of honor are to be, Miss M. H. Jordan, Miss McLellan (Central Club), Miss Yokum (Central Club).

MEETINGS

The meeting of the Board of Directors will be held Thursday evening, January 5th.

The Annual Meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held Thursday, January 12th, 1928. The election of officers will take place at the meeting.

New York County Association, District No. 13 meeting, will be held February 3rd at the International House with a Dinner and a Social Hour.

REPORT OF COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The meeting of the New York County Association, District No. 13, was held December 6th, 1927, at Bellevue Hospital, Nurse's Home. Miss Benz reported that the Committee on Grading of Schools recommended that \$500 per year over a period of five years be contributed by the County Association. This recommendation was adopted by the Association. Recent addresses of Dr. May Ayres Burgess, Chairman of the Grading Committee which will prove most enlightening to those who have not already read them, can be found in the November number of the Trained Nurse.

REMINISCENCES

By MISS LYDIA E. ANDERSON

Writing this paper during the summer while away from access to any statistics, it has been impossible to give indisputable facts, and so resort has been made to personal impressions made upon the writer during a period of seventeen years as a member of the State Board of Nurse Examiners.

In 1910 Miss Annie Damer owing to a severe accident, was obliged to resign from the Board, and to my great surprise I was appointed to fill out her unexpired term. Later Miss Palmer

told me that as a member was needed from New York City Miss McIsaac had proposed my name, as she had seen some practical work done by some of my pupils. So my name was proposed from the Western part of the State, later nominated by the Association and then I was elected at random by the Regents.

At that time, I had no special qualifications as an Examiner, having done only general teaching, such as was customary then by the Superintendents of Training Schools and their Assistants. Later I took some classes at Teacher's College to qualify for better teaching. When appointed on the Board, I made the remark that perhaps I could "get by" if I did not have Dietetics, as I had never had any preparation for nor experience in teaching that particular subject. What then was my chagrin and terror when at the first meeting of the Board I was appointed to make out the questions and rate the papers in Dietetics! It seems there were others on the Board at that time who did not care for that subject, and quite automatically it was handed on to the newest member. I immediately procured books and crammed on the subject, and I learned later that the nurses liked my questions—doubtless because they had to be easy ones in order for the Examiner to be able to rate the answers!

This, of course, is shocking to all good instructors today, and also to a large majority of the students, but for the benefit of these younger people, I wish to call special attention to the fact that they are scarcely able to realize how great has been the advance in all branches of theoretical study in our Schools of Nursing in the past twenty years. I well recall that, in those early days, in order to pass a majority of the candidates the ratings had to be very lenient, and sometimes the harder questions had even to be thrown out.

While even now we get most amusing and lamentably ignorant answers in a minority of papers, they are rare enough to be remembered and commented on, while, in our first papers, the correct answers were sufficiently rare for us to comment on them. I recall that the first really good bunch of answers that I received were from Buffalo and I told Miss Goodrich, who was then Inspector, that I thought they must have in that city a specially good instructor in Dietetics. Miss Goodrich said that the Board could greatly help the work of the Inspector by mentioning such items to her, as they could be used as incentives in other localities.

In course of time, probably when the next new member came on the Board, and Dietetics could be passed on, I had Obstetrics given to me, and then I had my feet planted on sure and safe ground—as over five years' experience at Sloane Maternity Hospital must give anyone a practical and theoretical knowledge of Obstetrics, hardly to be gainsaid. But—oh dear—there were only five members on the Board and there were six subjects, so anyone who had such an easy subject as Obstetrics must also take one more, and Materia Medica was the subject added. At that time the subjects for examination read as follows:

Tuesday: Anatomy and Physiology

Medical Nursing including Nursing of Children

Wednesday: Obstetrical Nursing

Materia Medica

Thursday: Surgical Nursing, including Bacteriology

Diet Cooking

There were two examinations held each year in June and in January. I well remember during the hot summer of 1912, two of the Examiners were ill, and as my teaching was over for the season, I volunteered to rate their papers for them beside the papers in my own two subjects, and during the month of July by dint of constant work and the help of an electric fan I rated 2,008 papers!

With these theoretical papers to be rated there has always been held the practical examination for each candidate. Living in New York City it was only seldom that I went elsewhere for the practicals, and in order for two examiners to pass on the large numbers on the three afternoons, preliminary examinations were held in various schools and were put in at odd times all through the month preceding the regular ones. Despite all this preliminary work, I recall that Miss Cadmus and I often had over seventy applicants each on the three successive afternoons.

Perhaps I may be forgiven for taking you all into my confidence in telling you something of the way in which these practicals were managed. One question was an oral one, by means of which we tried to gauge something of the personality of the nurse, her general knowledge, her knowledge of nursing history, her appearance, neatness, etc. Then usually there were three beds screened with one practical demonstration to be shown behind each screen, one nurse preparing while another was demonstrating. Following these, each nurse was given a question in fractional or percentage dosage. This last was often written, and almost invariably took the longest time. Many have most justly criticised this rapid-fire examination and no one realizes more keenly than does the Examiner herself how greatly the methods need improvement. Yet, after all, an Examiner, if at all keen and sympathetic, can obtain a very fair knowledge of the nursing technique and qualifications of the large majority of applicants, even by means of such hurried and superficial questioning.

As I look back over seventeen years of practical examination (recently held three times a year instead of twice as formerly) I am constrained to give some of my own conclusions:

First: The general personnel of the large majority of nurses has greatly improved.

Second: There is much less finished work in the demonstrations of today (by those who can demonstrate at all) than was shown fifteen years ago. (Please remember when I say that in those early years there was much less time given than there is now.)

Third: At present there is much more widespread knowledge of the various treatments and the reasons for them.

Fourth: I see no improvement as regards dosage and solutions. In fact there seems to be an air of indifference, and the nurses seem quite content to say "Oh, I never could do solutions anyway." It is surprising to find among the nurses who have had the greatest advantages both of preliminary and professional education, an entire ignorance of the simplest arithmetical procedures. Very many say that they have learned a rule but with no idea of the reasoning that lies back of the rule, their memories fail them at the crucial moment, and they have no process of reasoning to fall back upon. We all recognize the fact that mathematics is a peculiarly difficult subject for many minds (and many of you know the writer's mind is of that type) but it would seem that in the years of training all could gather enough to answer a few simple questions in fractional dosage—not in order to show mathematical facility, but as a practical necessity when, later in their experience, a hospital medicine chest or even a drug store may not be at hand.

I have given these four conclusions which I have deduced from long experience and I am not at all sure that the other examiners would agree with me in all my conclusions, but regarding this matter of solutions I am confident that every examiner who has been on the Board for the past twenty years would tell the same story.

The theoretical subjects for examination have been increased in number during these years until now there are eight papers covering eleven subjects, while the Board has been increased from five to seven members. (Once again you will note that the number of examiners is one less than the number of papers to be rated). There have been added assistants to help with the practical examinations in the various cities, and the tests, as you know, are now held in January, May and September.

Now that I am no longer on the Board I would like to answer some of the suggestions and criticisms made regarding our work. First, as a Board we were always being compared most unfavorably with the Examination Boards of other States, as regards initiative. We were constantly told that other Boards took matters into their own hands and ran them. I would simply remind those critics that our Board of Nurse Examiners is exactly what the name implies, and as such, is one department under the Board of Regents of the University of the State. The rules and regulations outside of the examinations themselves were not in our hands, and I would remind all, of the immeasurable advantage which it has always been to have the backing of the State Department of Education, with its experience of the various professions.

I would also call to your mind that almost without excep-

tion, each examiner has had her own work either as a Superintendent or Instructor in Schools of Nursing, and this immense amount of examination work has had to be done either at the expense of her regular work or after hours. Few can understand the amount of work entailed. At present there are these hundreds of papers for the Registered Nurse, beside a number for the Trained Nurse. Every four months these come together with four or five days of practical examining, which, if hard for the applicant, is certainly far more laborious for the examiner. In New York City beside these four or five days there are held twice a year the practical examinations for the Trained Attendants. These sixteen days must be given at the expense of all other work, as well as three or four days more during the year for the meetings of the Board. Is it any wonder that an applicant has to wait longer than is desirable before she knows the results of her rating, when each examiner has to rate some 800 to 1,000 papers after her regular day's work is over?

I am reminded right here that for ten years of my membership, all diplomas had to be signed by each examiner, at which time the entire family was called in to assist in spreading diplomas on every available inch of floor space, as after India ink a blotter may not be used. If at no other time, at least after signing many hundreds of these diplomas, there was one time in the life of the examiner when she surely would have been glad to have changed her name.

Another criticism frequently heard is one regarding the questions; some thinking them too simple, others as too difficult or too obscure. I think there is room here for suggestive criticism, but I wish to say that the Examiners do make an effort to have pertinent questions, and the questions in each subject are reviewed for criticism by the entire Board before being sent to the Department. I ask you to note that the educational wing of our profession urges to more scientific and technical questions, many superintendents of schools urge that the questions be more simple, while the running fire of criticism from the doctors is a continuous performance. Without personal application, can you not see that the Board is "between the devil and the deep sea", or to be more classical and also more courteous, that it must constantly steer between Scylla and Charybdis?

In these few words I have tried to show that your Board is not indifferent to your suggestions; that it is composed of hard workers, worthy of your help, your support and your constructive criticism.

Lest I may have pictured the work and the criticisms in too dark colors, I would like to turn to the brighter side and tell you how much enjoyment and satisfaction there is in the work. To an instructor there is a wealth of suggestion and help for her teaching; there is a great opportunity of coming into close contact, if only for a short time, with the advancing hosts of young nurses—there is the pleasure of going to other cities in the States, meeting the superintendents of other schools,

getting into touch with other instructors, seeing new equipment, finding new methods, thus keeping in close touch with the profession in its progress, while often there is an opportunity of being helpful and encouraging to others when needed. As the term of service on the Board is for five years, it gives opportunity for making lasting friendships and pleasant associations with the other members, and it all gives one the feeling of being of some service to one's own profession.

Despite some monotonous and some very strenuous work, I am truly grateful for the privilege accorded me of spending these years on the Board, years that to me were fraught with the utmost profit and enjoyment.

NOVEMBER ALUMNAE MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association was held at the Club House on November 10th, 1927 at 8:15 P. M. The President and Vice-President being absent, the meeting was called to order by the Treasurer, Miss Holland, who suggested that Miss Duncan take the chair. This was approved by all present, and Miss Duncan presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Miss Gowan, secretary of the Board of Directors, read the minutes of that body. Accepted.

The Treasurer read the reports of the Club House and the Alumnae Association. These were accepted as read.

Miss Holland reported that the interest of the Pension Fund which had not been drawing interest in the Fifth Avenue Bank, is now in the Union Square Bank where it is drawing interest.

Miss Holland announced an anonymous gift of \$1,000 to the Reserve Fund. As the Treasurer is the only one who knows the donor's name, she was asked to acknowledge it with our appreciation and thanks.

Miss Sutcliffe was instructed to ask a member of Miss Livingston's class to draw up a resolution of sympathy on the death of Miss Livingston.

The Credential Committee presented the name of Miss Mary M. O'Brien, 1927. She was accepted into membership on payment of dues.

At the suggestion of Miss Duncan, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Emergency Fund be amalgamated with the Sutcliffe Fund, Miss Sutcliffe to be chairman, with power to choose her own committee.

Miss Sutcliffe moved that Miss L. M. Rorick be made a Life Member. Seconded and carried.

A letter was read from Miss McLellan asking the Association to suggest a nurse to fill Miss Golding's place on the Committee of Management of the Central Club for Nurses, made vacant by her resignation. It was moved, seconded and carried that this matter be left to the Board of Directors.

A letter from Mrs. Mary Cruso Parsons acknowledging with gratitude the fact that she has been made a Life Member of the Association. This letter also brought the news of her husband's death.

A letter was read from Mrs. D. M. Matheson asking that her name be taken from the membership list. Moved, seconded and carried that the resignation be accepted with regret.

A letter from Miss Sarah J. Graham was read expressing gratitude for the \$100 paid by our Association to the National Relief Fund.

A letter from Miss Patmore acknowledging with thanks the \$225 received from Miss Benz from the sale of tickets to the card party for the Nurses' National Relief Fund. A rising vote of thanks was given Miss Benz for her untiring efforts. Miss Benz stated that Miss Rough sold \$50 worth of tickets at the Hospital.

A committee to nominate officers for the next year was appointed. The following ten names were proposed and the first five elected.

Miss Jordon	Miss McVean
Miss Duncan	Miss Bane
Miss Reutinger	Miss Palser
Miss Fenemore	Miss Nudel
Miss Catherine Hay	Miss Malmgren

While the votes were being counted a very interesting talk was given by Mrs. Cochrane, who had lived in China 28 years. She wore a very beautiful costume such as was worn in China by Princesses.

The meeting was adjourned after the reading of the votes. All enjoyed a social time and delightful refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

... LAURA G. BARRETT,
Secretary pro-tem.

THE LATE MISS G. E. LIVINGSTON

Although there has already been published in different nursing magazines, articles on the professional career of the late Miss Gertrude Elizabeth Livingston, a graduate of the New York Hospital School for Nurses, it seems only fitting that a brief sketch of her nursing life should appear in the magazine of her Alumnae Association of which Association she was a member until within a few years of her death, which took place July 24th, 1927.

It was at the home of mutual friends that I first met Miss Livingston who was then visiting in Montreal, her own home being in Como, a pretty little village on the Ottawa River, just above the Lake of Two Mountains.

This was before either one had any idea of entering the nursing profession.



Several years afterwards I again met Miss Livingston, this time in the old Montreal General Hospital where she had been recently appointed Lady Superintendent and where, with the assistance of two graduates from her own School, she was organizing the first Training School for Nurses in the Province.

My name then being on the list of applicants to enter the Training School of the New York Hospital, I eagerly sought some knowledge of that Institution and its work from one of its graduates, and this Miss Livingston readily, and may I say humorously, gave me.

As has been said elsewhere, the organization of the School for Nurses in connection with the General Hospital was an event very far reaching in its results and Montreal today owes an inestimable debt of gratitude to the courageous woman who was a pioneer indeed, meeting opposition, objections, difficulties at every turn, but whose faith in her profession and determination to succeed in her chosen work have been the means of bringing about the present high standards of nursing in Canada as evidenced by the very recent erection by the Governors of the Montreal General Hospital of one of the finest Schools of Nursing in the Dominion.

In some respects, the School was modelled along English lines; the pupils were always called "Nurse So and So," instead of "Miss", and when Miss Livingston instituted the first regular uniform for the members of her School, they also wore a typical outdoor costume, similar to that worn by so many English Schools. This latter, however, was discarded after some years as being unpractical in this country.

Nursing methods then introduced were those of the New York Hospital and even today, any older graduate of the New York Hospital Training School on going through the wards, will be reminded of their Alma Mater.

The Medicine Chest in the centre of the long ward is of the same style as those in the old N. Y. H., the chair at the foot of each bed, and at 5 p. m. the spreads neatly folded over the foot of the bed with an extra blanket for night use!

When in Montreal for my annual vacation I usually saw Miss Livingston; she was always ready to assist me as a younger Superintendent and some of the best head nurses I have known were her graduates.

Her interest in the New York Hospital never waned; she had great respect for Mr. Ludlam as a Superintendent and disciplinarian, while her admiration and esteem for Miss Sutcliffe was very sincere.

Even after her retirement from active service, whenever I saw her, which I did every summer at Val Morin, she always asked for Miss Sutcliffe and the Hospital in general.

Her interest in her graduates was very genuine and I am told, never forgot a nurse who had studied under her.

Two outstanding characteristics seem to me the keynote

of her great achievement: her remarkable ability as executive and administrator and her delightfully keen sense-of humor.

The portrait of Miss Livingston which forms the cover page of the October number of the "Trained Nurse Magazine" is taken from an oil painting by an eminent Canadian artist, G. Horne Russell, A. R. C. A. It has been presented to the School by the Governors of the Hospital and hangs in the large entrance hall of the new Residence and School of Nursing.

MARY A. SAMUEL.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY

Through the kindness and interest of the Club Superintendent, Miss Nellie McCrae and her worthy staff, the party given October 31st was a very enjoyable event. The writer regrets that more members of the Club did not avail themselves of the opportunity to throw off dull care and join in the merriment. The costumes were all very clever, we had a variety of ghosts—thin, medium and stylish stouts; fifty-seven varieties of clowns, handsomely gowned ladies representing different nations and the gay nineties. A really remarkable witch who told fortunes that are bound to come true. Several surgeons were also present. Prizes were awarded for the cleverest costumes and a certain large company that paints the front doors red is far richer by the event. Games followed and just like long, long ago the refreshments were heartily enjoyed. Why not have another party soon and everyone come and express a real large family spirit?

THE SURGEON'S HANDS

By IDA NORTON MUNSON

His face? I know not whether it be fair,
Or lined and grayed to mark the slipping years.
His eyes? I do not glimpse the pity there,
Or try to probe their depths for hopes or fears.
Only upon his wondrous hands I gaze,
And search my memory through so fittingly
To voice their loveliness. In still amaze
I bow before their quiet dignity.
They make the crooked straight and heal old sores;
The blind to see, the war-torn clean and whole.
Throughout the suffering world they touch the doors
That open wide to life. The bitter bowl
Of pain they sweeten till the weary rest,
As though the hands of Christ had served and blest.
—The Christian Century (Chicago).

SAYS GROUP NURSING SUCCESS RESTS ON TEAM WORK

In speaking of some of the aspects of group nursing at the convention of the American College of Surgeons, Janet M. Geister, director at Headquarters, said:

"While there is perhaps a natural resistance to the idea of radical change in the minds of almost all of us concerned in this problem, there is nevertheless a gradually increasing acceptance of the principle of group nursing as a necessary solution to the problem of providing satisfactory nursing care. For instance, the superintendent of a 600 bed nationally known hospital asserted emphatically two years ago, group nursing would be utterly impractical in her institution. Two months ago, she informed us that one floor of her private pavillion was to be given over to an experiment in group nursing.

"We must recognize that some experiments in group nursing have been unsuccessful. In recognizing this, however, we must not lose sight of the fact that as group nursing is essentially a profit sharing enterprise calling for mutual respect from each of the participants, success is conditioned on team work and on a sense of sportsmanship."

APROPOS OF GROUP NURSING

Some hospitals may seem crowded, but they were nothing like the Hotel Dieu in Paris in the Middle Ages as described in an article in the Long Island Medical Journal.

"As you will see the beds are large," a doctor is represented as saying. "They hold three people comfortably. Lately Soeur Genevieve Bouquet, prioress of the Sisters, has had the good idea of lodging some of the convalescent patients on the roofs of the beds."

This might be called group nursing through the other end of the telescope.

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION of the TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

Committee on Miss Sutcliffe's Portrait

December 16th, 1927..

To the Members of the Alumnae Association of the Training School of New York Hospital:

The response to the form letter which your Committee on Miss Sutcliffe's Portrait sent out less than a week ago has been

very encouraging. We have at this moment from only 118 of our graduates, pledges or cash amounting to \$1,301. \$100.00 of this has come in from one nurse. There are \$300.50 in pledges and the rest is in cash.

Your committee has been active from the time of its appointment. This is the first possible moment at which a letter could be sent out. It comes to you just before Christmas but your committee has felt that not a day should be wasted in beginning this undertaking. Pledges to be paid after the Christmas season are acceptable.

Every member of the committee, with the exception of Miss Helena Stewart, has spent some time in the studio of Mr. Ernest Ipsen, the artist selected. We are unanimous in feeling that he is preeminently the best selection we could have made. The sittings have already begun. He has painted many distinguished portraits, such as that of Mr. Elihu Root, of Dr. Henry Vas Dyke and Captain Bartlett—of Arctic fame. He is particularly happy in painting older people, the coloring and the spirit of the sitter being caught in an unusually happy manner. The cost of portraits of this character is high. One like this, which is of the same quality as those which already belong to the Society of the New York Hospital and amongst which this will hang, costs four thousand dollars.

The gift which we are making to the hospital is of historic significance and takes its place with other important events in the history of nursing. Therefore, your committee believes that just as large a part of this sum as is possible we graduates of the New York Hospital should raise by ourselves.

However, there are other friends of the hospital, of Miss Sutcliffe, and of nursing, who, we are assured, would like to help. I trust we can do it by ourselves. There is, of course, no personal obligation involved nor personal benefit conferred upon Miss Sutcliffe. On the contrary she makes a sacrifice in permitting us to have her portrait painted since she clearly dislikes the idea of it. As no doubt we all know, certain other nursing schools have distinguished others of the pioneer workers in the same way. I am thinking particularly of the portraits of Miss Nutting, Miss Maxwell, and Miss Goodrich.

The committee will keep you informed of its progress. Meanwhile, the committee will be grateful for any suggestions which you care to make. May the Chairman add that some very beautiful letters have already been received from graduates of the New York Hospital and that these nurses have expressed the feeling predominant in the minds of the members of your committee that it is a great privilege to be able to honor the profession of nursing as it has expressed itself in our own hospital through the presentation of this portrait.

Sincerely yours,

MARY BEARD, Chairman,

PERSONALS

A NEW YEAR SUGGESTION

Club members are reminded that rents are due on the first day of the month and the office would appreciate receiving payment as near to the first day as possible.

The following N. Y. H. Graduates attended the N. Y. State Nurse's meeting at Rochester, N. Y., October 25th, 1927: Miss M. H. Jordan, Miss F. M. Johnson, Miss Lydia Anderson, Miss Sarah Olmstead, Miss Eva M. Dunne, of the Buffalo General Hospital; Miss Ida Finch and Miss A. B. Duncan, official delegate.

Miss Wilhemina Stevenson, who has been for over a year doing district nursing in Pleasantville, N. Y., will return to N. Y. Club to do private nursing.

Miss Verna Smith has had quite an interesting experience in the Canadian Northwest while visiting Miss Eleanor MacPhedran, who is in charge of a T. B. Sanitorium, eight miles from Calgary, Alberta. Temperature 23 below, a blizzard raging, no signs of a roadway, a train due at 2 p. m. if flagged, the only way to get to Calgary and make train connections at night. A white flag would never show in the blizzard, Miss MacPhedran 'phoned the dispatcher at Calgary, he 'phoned 20 miles to Cochrane for train to stop. After going through tunnels underground of the buildings then she had to get out and walk through drifts—finally made the train and was snowed in for 24 hours. We are glad Miss Smith has returned safely and will stop her globe trotting for awhile.

Miss Gladys Adams has just completed an interesting study of the Official Registry of the New York Counties Registered Nurses Association, District No. 13. The District made the study because it wants to be sure the registry is serving the purpose for which it was organized.

Mrs. Killip, nee Mabel McMann, who has been ill at the N. Y. H., hopes to spend Christmas at home. All good wishes go with her for a complete recovery.

Miss Grace Traver, '07, and her sister, who have been in Minnesota, will return to New York the first of the year.

Mrs. Rollin Hills' many friends congratulate her on her safe recovery from a recent operation at the Norwegian Hospital, Brooklyn.

Miss Agnes Fletcher will spend Christmas with her family in Toronto.

Miss Elizabeth Hay entertained at dinner, December 8th, Miss Helen Kellar and her wonderful teacher, Mrs. Macy, Miss

Polly Thompson and Miss Hay's sister, who is visiting her from Scotland. After dinner the party attended a performance of the "Plough and the Stars."

Miss Benz and Miss Muirheid have recently visited Miss Searcy and found her very happy. We all wish her a very joyous Christmas.

Miss Elizabeth S. Johnson, while a patient in the N. Y. H. in September, 1927, expressed her appreciation in the following jingle:

TO OUR MISS JORDON

What shall I say of Miss Jordon?
Words so utterly fail
To express half of her kindness—
Yes, quite utterly fail.
It's far beyond human wishing
To ask more than she
Gives of herself to others,
One's most favored to be
Under her care and attention.
Always brimful of cheer,
Never too busy to listen,
What a joy she is here!
Tho' conflicts are ever warring,
And struggles never cease
Her angels of light are spreading
A spirit of calm and peace.
Always stretching across this life
Like pebbles dropped in the sea,
Her influence ever will ripple
After she has ceased to be—
Our beloved Superintendent.

Miss Helena Steward spent a week-end at the Club.

Mrs. R. A. Bell, nee Gladys M. Fraser, 4461 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo., enjoys reading the news of her classmates and friends in the Alumnae News.

Mrs. W. E. Esselstyn, nee Margaret E. Patin, and her husband, leave for Swaziland, Africa, as missionaries, in the New Year.

Miss Alice Ellison's many friends will be happy to hear she is much improved.

Miss Bess Bower gave a luncheon at the Club, November 17th. Her guests were Miss Nelson, Mrs. Cutter, Mrs. Hartman, Miss Lewis, Miss Hay, Miss Phymister and Miss Burroughs.

Miss Sidney Procter, '14, is ill at the Jeffy Hale Hospital, Quebec.

Miss Edla Malmgren has gone to Broomhill, Manitoba, to be with her brother, who is ill.

Miss Gwyndolyn deCou has accepted a position with the Butterick Co., in Spring Street.

Miss Olive Secord of Toronto is at the Club for a short time.

Miss Sadie Cowie, '20, has been operated on for appendicitis at the N. Y. H.

The tea in honor of Miss Sutcliffe, given on October 6th, was very well attended. We were happy to see Miss McVean and Miss Zabriskie, as well as many others.

Miss Hazel Emmett has returned to private duty and Miss K. Schuler has taken charge of the Public Operating Room. Miss DeWitt has taken the sutures on the First Division.

Mrs. H. W. Corning, nee Elta Farnham, is recovering from a serious illness at the N. Y. H.

Miss F. Van Derwerker and Miss Florence Mack are recovering from T. & A. operations at their homes.

Miss Wyatt, '27, has taken charge of Ward K.

Miss G. Wylie has taken a position as charge nurse of Ward H.

Miss Flora Bergstrom, '27, has accepted a position at the Lying-in Hospital.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. C. R. Murray in the recent death of her mother.

Miss Volmer from Harrisburg has been in town for the week-end.

Miss Marie Crisafulli is contemplating a trip to Bermuda.

Miss Beach is spending the Christmas holidays at her home in Torrington, Conn.

Sympathy is extended to Miss Elizabeth Johnson in the recent death of her brother.

MARRIAGES

Miss Mabel Miller, '25, to Mr. Earl Price, on July 1st, 1927.
At home in Bartonsville, Pa.

BIRTHS

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Warren Mays, nee Laura Lawrence, October 12th, 1927.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thompson Spear, nee Margaret Crandell, September 26th, 1927.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Washington, nee Maud Lund, on October 22nd.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Phillip Hill, nee Ann Peck, '14, died of meningitis at her home at Scarsdale, N. Y., November 23rd, 1927.

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Prof.—The first known date in history was about 4000 B. C.
Student—"Who had it?"

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Statistics prove that Yale graduates have 1.3 children while Vassar graduates have 1.7 children. This all proves that women have more children than men do.

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A conductor, assisting a woman on the street car with a large number of children.

Conductor—"Madam, are all these yours, or is it a picnic?"

Madam—"Yes, they are all mine and it was no picnic."

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A dear old lady entered a drug store and looked doubtfully at the youthful clerk behind the counter.

"I suppose," she began, "that you are a properly qualified druggist?"

"Yes, madam."

"You have passed all the examinations?"

"Certainly."

"Never poisoned anybody by mistake?"

"Not to my knowledge."

"Very well, then," she replied, heaving a sigh of relief and laying a coin on the counter, "you may give me a nickel's worth of cough drops."

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Mistress—"Mary, has the chemist sent that sleeping draught, yet?"

Maid—"No, ma'am."

Mistress—"Then ring him up and ask him if he expects me to keep awake all night waiting for it."

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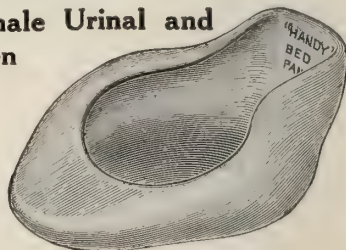
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MEETINGS

The Meeting of the Board of Directors will be held Thursday Evening April 5th.

The Monthly Meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held Thursday evening, April 12th. Miss Ward of the Civic Repertory Theatre will address the Alumnae after the meeting.

New York County Association, District No. 13 next meeting, will be held Tuesday June 5th at the Central Club for Nurses.

ALUMNAE MEETING JANUARY, 1928

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held Thursday evening, January 12th, 1928 at the Club House. Miss Mary A. Smith presided.

The ballots were collected. Miss Rough and Miss Fennimore were appointed inspectors, Miss Colver and Miss Gordon tellers.

The report of the secretary was read and accepted.

The report of the secretary of the Board of Directors was read and accepted.

The Treasurers reports of the Club, Association, Pension and Bazaar Funds were read. Miss Duncan moved that they be accepted as read and the treasurer thanked for her untiring service. Seconded by Miss Walton. Carried unanimously.

Report of the Fund for Sick Nurses read and accepted.

The President's address was read at this time, and is here appended. It was received with appreciation.

The Treasurer reported only the following three members as failing to pay their dues.

Mrs. C. Russell Morton, nee Mary Halsted (1921);

Miss Myrtle Pelley (1917);

Mrs. Richard Phillips, nee Hope Arnold (1917).

It was moved by Miss Duncan and seconded by Miss Jouffret that they be dropped from the roll. Carried.

Letters

An appeal from Miss Lillian Wald for contribution to the Visiting Nurse Service of the Henry Street Settlement. It was moved by Miss Walton and seconded by Miss Anderson that \$100. be given the Visiting Nurse Service of the Henry Street Settlement. Carried.

Letters of resignation from Mrs. Edna Beal Tyler and Mrs. Helen Hunt Whitmer. These were accepted with regret.

A letter was read from Mrs. C. Victor Twiss recommending that Miss Elizabeth Golding be made a Life Member in our Association. She spoke of her faithful work to so many nursing organizations, and thought we should do her this honor. This

was unanimously voted and the Treasurer instructed to return the dues already paid for this year.

A copy of the Five Year Program of the Committee on the Grading of Nursing Schools was submitted, and read by the Secretary. Some discussion followed. Miss Jordon reported on what other Associations were doing. It was moved by Miss Catherine Hay and seconded by Miss Jordon that \$50. per year for five years be given toward this work. Carried.

A letter from Miss Florence Johnston regarding the Annual Dinner by the New York Counties Registered Nurses Association to be held Feb. 2nd 1928 at International House, 124th Street and Riverside Drive. Miss Catherine Hay volunteered to get together a table of New York Hospital nurses.

A letter of appreciation and gratitude from Mr. Philip Hill and Elizabeth Yates for flowers sent at the time of Mrs. Hills death.

Letters from nine of our members whom the Sutcliffe Committee remembered at Christmas were read. They seemed to greatly appreciate the very personal touch which this committee gives.

The President asked for names to be proposed for honorary membership. Miss Duncan proposed Mr. Frank D. Wilsey who has shown great interest in our Alumnae and has given us of his time and thought. Seconded by Miss Jouffret. Carried.

The chairman of the Credential Committee proposed the names of

Miss Hazel D. Wright, Class 1927;

Miss Ruth E. Fowler.

It was moved and seconded that they be accepted into membership on payment of dues.

New Business

It was proposed by Miss Benz that Article 11, Section 1 be abolished. After some discussion this was not put to vote.

The following amendments to the Constitution and By Laws was proposed by Miss Duncan.

Article 6, Section 1: Combine Committees "Emergency" and "Sutcliffe" to read "Sutcliffe-Emergency Committee";

Article 6, Section 8 and 11; Combine these,

Change to read:

The Sutcliffe-Emergency Committee shall endeavor to promote interest in, and secure donations for this Committee, take suitable action when any member of Association is ill; notify their personal friends and relatives if desirable. Seconded and carried.

There was discussion regarding the Registry license at this time. It was moved by Miss Walton and seconded by Miss Sarah MacKenzie that the Legislative Committee look into the subject and report.

Miss Gordon reported on the result of the election as follows:

Miss Mary Beard, President.....	90 votes
Miss Alice Richardson, Vice President.....	65 "
Miss Verna Smith, Rec. Sec'ty.....	66 "
Miss Edna S. Williams, Cor. Sec'ty.....	79 "
Miss Mary F. Holland, Treasurer.....	78 "
Miss Elizabeth Bower, Director.....	88 "
Miss Isobel B. Phymister, Director.....	65 "
Miss Elizabeth Price, Director.....	61 "

A motion was made to destroy the ballots. Carried.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the outgoing officers and directors.

The meeting adjourned to refreshments and a social hour.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA G. BARRETT, Secretary pro-tem.

A special meeting was called on Monday, February 6th to talk over the Lattin Bill.

The meeting was held in the Club rooms. It was called to order by Miss Price, acting chairman, as the Vice President was unable to be present.

Mrs. Rogers was called upon to tell us what information she had, regarding the nurses' interest.

It was moved and carried that Mrs. Rogers be chairman of the committee, and be allowed to elect the other members of her board.

It was moved and carried that Mrs. Rogers represent our association at the meeting on February 10, at Mrs. Church Osborne's home, to discuss the Bill and report to our association at the next meeting.

A petition was given to Mrs. Rogers with the signatures of many nurses, residing at the Club, asking her to act as chairman.

The nurses discussed the Bill, and questions were asked.

A large attendance of nurses was present.

The meeting was adjourned.

ELIZABETH PRICE, Acting Secretary.

FEBRUARY MEETING, 1928.

The regular meeting of the Alumnae Association was held February 9th, 1928; Miss Mary Beard in the chair.

In the absence of the secretary, Miss Wilsey was asked to act as secretary of the meeting.

The minutes of the January Meeting were read and there being no corrections, they were approved as read.

The Secretary's Annual Report was read at this meeting, as she was unable to have it ready for the Annual Meeting. Accepted as read.

The minutes of the Special Meeting held February 6th, 1925

to talk over the Lattin Bill and to appoint a committee to represent our Association in this matter, was read. Mrs. Rogers was appointed Chairman, of the committee with power to choose her own committee, which is as follows:

Miss Theresa Carpenter, 317 West 45th St., N. Y. C.;

Miss Marie Kreamer, 25 West 16th St., N. Y. C.;

Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, Chairman, 317 West 45th St., N. Y. C.

Miss Price, secretary of the Board of Directors, read the minutes of the January Meeting of that body. It was moved, seconded and carried that they be accepted as read.

The President addressed the Meeting at this time, explaining what first seemed to be election irregularities. Spoke of the Board having appointed a House Committee of three, which they hoped would serve as a connecting link between the Club and the Board of Directors.

Secretary of the Board read list of Committees which had been appointed by the Board, all of whom had not been heard from.

The President also spoke of the Portrait Committee, and of how she as chairman of that committee had recently discovered the committee had never been officially appointed by the Association. Miss Anderson moved that the Committee be ratified by the Association. Seconded and carried.

Miss Beard told of the work of the Portrait Committee. Miss Duncan read the financial report, showing that receipts to date are:

Cash	\$1,897.25
Pledges	835.50
Total	<u>\$2,732.75</u>

Miss Duncan also read many letters from our nurses showing with what eagerness the majority of our nurses entered into the plan of the portrait of Miss Sutcliffe, and how very much she is admired and beloved by those who know her. The chairman spoke of the money still to be raised to pay for the portrait, and said that the committee had hoped that the Association could raise the money among its own members, and asked for an expression of opinion.

Mrs. Margaret Rogers suggested that we exhaust every effort to raise the money among our members before going outside for help. This seemed to be the general sentiment of the meeting.

Miss Holland stated that the three members who were dropped at the last meeting for non-payment of dues had paid immediately after the Annual Meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried that Mrs. C. Russell Morton, Miss Myrtle Pelley and Mrs. Richard Phillips be reinstated.

It was moved by Miss Jouffret that Mrs. George Waring, nee Elsie Jessup, and Miss Dorothy Salmon be dropped for non-payment of dues. Seconded and carried.

Letters

A letter was read thanking the Association for the flowers sent to Mr. Frank D. Wilsey.

A letter was also read from Mr. Frank D. Wilsey accepting the Honorary Membership in the Association conferred on him at the Annual Meeting.

New Business

It was moved by Miss Jouffret that we invite the Class of 1928 to the March Meeting of the Association. Seconded and carried.

It was moved by Miss Duncan that the secretary be instructed to extend our sympathy to Miss Verna Smith and her sister on the sudden death of their father.

It was moved by Miss Jordan that the secretary also write Miss Helen Mitchell regarding the death of her father. Seconded and carried.

Miss Holland moved that the secretary write Mrs. G. A. Sturtevant regarding the death of her husband. Seconded and carried.

Miss Barrett read the Report of the Sick Nurses Fund at this time.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to a very pleasant social hour.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIETTA WILSEY, Secretary, pro-tem.

ALUMNAE MEETING, MARCH 8, 1928.

The March monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association was especially interesting due to the Reception to the graduating class, and the unveiling of the portrait of Miss Sutcliffe.

In the absence of the President, due to illness, Miss Richardson, Vice-President, presided, and Miss Duncan was chosen secretary pro-tem in absence of Miss Verna Smith.

The minutes of February meeting were read, and approved as were the reports of the Treasurer and Club House.

Committee Reports followed: Mrs. M. L. Rogers, Chairman of the special committee to investigate the Lattin Bill, gave a very comprehensive report of the meeting held at Mrs. Church Osborne's, and the further activities of the Committee following the gathering, a resolution purporting to amend the bill at the next session of legislature has been formulated with the backing of the Presbyterian Hospital, St. Luke's and Bellevue, and copies of the proposed amendment have been sent to other Alumnae in the district asking their consideration and co-operation.

Plans are also under way to have the New York Medical Society express their disapproval of the Lattin Bill as it now

stands, and urge an amendment which will restore the nurses to their original status.

Miss Duncan, Treasurer of the Portrait Committee gave a report of receipts and expenses to date, and stated that the sum of \$518.42 was still needed. Several nurses immediately pledged to increase the amount already given, and others made gifts and pledges to the amount of \$130.75.

Miss Duncan said excellent copies of the portrait had been made under the direction of the artist at his studio, and would be available through Miss Jordan, or Miss Duncan at \$3.00 each. Orders for this beautiful copy should be sent at once so the Committee may proceed with the contract.

Miss Richardson then presented Miss Jane Hitchcock, who addressed the Graduating Class, urging their immediate activities in the Alumnae Association, and bewailing the fact of her own inability through pressure of other work to become active during the pioneer days. Miss Hitchcock's address just naturally drifted into the introduction of our outstanding graduate, Dean Goodrich, who in her own charming manner paid tribute to Miss Sutcliffe and her continued and outstanding influence in the nursing world, through those of her graduates who have assumed and will assume the management of training schools throughout the country in the future.

The President called the meeting to order, and referred to the unfortunate illness of our President, Miss Beard, whose absence was the only cloud on the horizon. It was unanimously voted to send a greeting of love from the Alumnae Association, and our wishes for a speedy and complete recovery. Meeting then adjourned to social hour, giving the graduates an opportunity to meet the youngest Class 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA B. DUNCAN, Acting Secretary.

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The Jane A. Delano Post No. 344 of the American Legion is composed of 450 Ex-Service nurses and holds its meetings on the second Friday of each month 8 P. M. at 132 East 45th Street. This Post does a large amount of welfare work among its members and for those who were disabled. It strives to keep alive the bond of fellowship created by our service during the war and as most of our charter members were N. Y. Hospital graduates, we extend at this time a cordial welcome to all those who "served" to attend our meetings and would gratefully welcome them as members to the Post.

EMILY CLATWORTHY, Commander.

REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED REGISTRY GROUP.

On February 10th, 1928, your committee attended a meeting of the Associated Registry Group at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Wm. Church Osborne, 40 East 36th St.

This group is made up of committees from Bellevue, Mt. Sinai, New York, Post Graduate, Presbyterian, Roosevelt and St. Lukes Hospital Registries and Central Registry which is now known as THE OFFICIAL REGISTRY. The Committees of all these registries were present and in addition were the Superintendent of Nurse Training Schools with the exception of Roosevelt.

The meeting was conducted in a very informal manner and was opened by a request from the chairman, that the report of the June meeting be read by Mrs. Hesse, Secretary. This report culminated in the reading of a letter which had been mailed to the Doctors of New York City, notifying them of the standardization of prices for nursing care of the sick in private homes, hospitals, etc.

No one present was able to report any very active **response** to this letter on the part of the medical profession.

Miss Burgess of Barnard reported, as a result of a study of the Registry Work made by Dr. Burgess, the statistician, under the auspices of the Official Registry, it was going to re-organize its service and appoint a nurse supervisor to co-operate with all the Nursing Organizations and inaugurate an effective program to take care of the communities needs. She said they had great difficulty in finding a competent woman to fill this position, hence—the delay.

The Chairman asked Miss Burgess to give us a short report of the results of this study—as it would be of great interest to this group. Miss Burgess said this was impossible, but in the course of time abstracts might be made and given out. She further stated one of the urgent needs was for more trained instructors for Nurse Training Schools and for public health work in rural communities.

The registry representatives present reported that they were able to supply all nursing needs with the exception of Miss McMillan, St. Lukes, who stated they were unable to secure enough nurses experienced in caring for mental cases, to meet their calls. It was suggested that by calling for graduates of State Hospitals this need might be met.

The question of hourly nursing was then discussed. Miss Greener of Mt. Sinai and Miss Burgess of Barnard thought this work was in a very disorganized state: It should be standardized and supervised and put on a working basis somewhat similar to Henry St. Miss Greener stated they had such an organization in Philadelphia which was very satisfactory. Mrs. Rogers inquired what salary would be paid for such work? Miss Burgess said, salary was an unimportant detail which could be arranged later. The Chairman appointed Misses Geister,

Burgess, Irons, Rutledge and Mrs. Hess to investigate and to decide on the best organization for hourly service and to report back to this committee their findings.

The Secretary reported she had had a letter from a Hospital Registry asking under what conditions they could join this group.

Miss Rottman and Miss Yocum were appointed by the chair to draw up minimum standards of membership—which any registry would have to meet in order to join the associated group.

In the course of the meeting it was brought out that the official registry while not assuming any responsibility for bills, supported the nurse by sending the patient a bill, where collection was difficult on the Official Registry letterhead.

The Chairman then stated that there was a great deal of dissatisfaction among nurses and registries generally about the provisions of the Webb-Lattin bill, and asked Miss Rutledge of Bellevue to state why the nurses objected. Miss Rutledge stated that the fact that we were classed with laborers, domestics, hostlers, etc., and taken out of the educational department was the **principal** objection.

Miss Burgess flatly contradicted this and stated we were only changed from private registries to commercial registries, like the official registry, which was a commercial registry under the Educational Department at Albany.

Mrs. Rogers then begged to differ with Miss Burgess and stated that we had been taken out from under the educational department and had to operate under general business law, like employment agencies. She then showed Miss Burgess a copy of the law, and it was very evident to all present, that it was the first time Miss Burgess had realized its full implication and its lamentable consequences.

Miss McMillan of St. Lukes stated that their Board of Governors and Medical Board were very much incensed at this legislation and would back the nurses in their effort to secure an amendment. Miss McMillan further stated, that a candidate for admission to the Training School on hearing of this law withdrew her papers and made applications at Presbyterian Hospital whose registry is not under the provisions of the employment agency law.

Another objection brought out by a member whose name I did not get, was that this Law discriminated against Training School Alumnae Registries in favor of Registries run by Hospitals and Medical Societies and Physicians. The Chairman who is a Doctor's wife exclaimed: Why! Doctors and Medical Societies do not run Registries? Mrs. Rogers answered by citing a Medical Society in Brooklyn who only employed nurses who used their Registry and boasted that the income from the nurses fees, paid the general expenses of upkeep of their Library. Other members cited other instances of medical men running registries.

Mrs. Rogers said as chairman of the Legislative Committee, N. Y. Hospital Alumnae Association wished to go on record as objecting to the bill and asking that steps be taken as speedily

as possible to bring about an amendment which would restore New York State nurses their professional status.

The Chairman then appointed a committee of five (5): Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. Hesse, Miss Rutledge, Miss McMillan and Mrs. Rogers to wait upon Dr. Van Ettan who was the representative of N. Y. State Medical Society that framed the Webb-Lattin Bill. To see if he would co-operate with us in securing an amendment.

The Meeting then adjourned.

I would like to say in conclusion that there was a great deal of informal conversation at this meeting and that no one present admitted having any knowledge of this bill previous to its enactment into a law excepting Miss Young of Presbyterian who stated she had read the bill but did not take in the fact that it took nurses out of the professional class and she frankly admitted that she must have been dumb. She further stated Dr. Wm. Darrow, (435 W. 59th St.) Dean of new Medical Center had expressed himself as having given a tacit backing to the bill as it had been represented to him as a measure for the advancement and protection of nurses—that he was now disturbed at its lamentable consequences and felt it should be amended as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. ROGERS, Chairman Legislative Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION NEW YORK HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The meetings of this Committee as a committee have been very informal, for the reason that all have been pretty actively employed. However, something has been accomplished. Letters have been sent to different Nursing Organizations. A trial or tentative bill has been drawn up and sent out to various associations and individuals for criticism and correction. This bill was made as comprehensive as possible—To protect our own Alumnae registries and at the same time not to interfere with the legal rights and privileges of Male Nurse Associations or of the Registries of Social and Personnel workers who also run non-profit making corporations, organized for the purpose of economic adjustment, civic betterment and the giving of vocational guidance and placement to its members.—Where no fee is charged other than dues paid in for the benefits enjoyed through the corporation and wherein such dues are used for actual expense of maintenance of such bureau.

At first we met with very little sympathy or help from our so-called representative women of the nursing profession. Miss Burgess thought we ought to **try it out** for a year or two. She seems to think those multiple slips are a wonderful step in the way of advancement, and was much surprised when it was called to her attention that the psychological effect on the patient is

bad. The nurse going to a case receives a slip which she is supposed to present to her patient. A second slip which is a check up on the nurse is mailed to the patient. The immediate effect on the patient is, that the registry does not trust the nurse. Fortunately, while the law compels the Registry to present the first slip to the nurse, there is **no** way of compelling her to present this slip to the patient.

By presenting a united front, Bellevue, St. Luke's and New York, and holding out for **an amendment**, we have finally succeeded in securing from Miss Burgess a half hearted admission that an amendment is necessary. Miss Young of Presbyterian, is for an amendment. All are unanimous in denying any responsibility for this bill. The latest excuse offered is, that it must have been changed in committee. As the introducer of a bill has a right to have a star placed on the calendar before his measure which makes it certain that it will not be voted upon until he is ready, there is no excuse for letting a bill changed in committee go to a vote.

Miss Jordan and Miss Sutcliffe kindly presented our difficulties to the New York Hospital Governors—as we felt this affects the Hospital in securing pupils for training. We also are very anxious to have their support when our bill comes up for amendment.

The Assistant Attorney-General has asked to see the bill—he thinks from the facts as presented to him by one of the nurses, that the bill may be unconstitutional. Let us hope that he is right.

The only logical conclusion to reach in this matter after carefully reviewing all facts, is that the private nurse can not safely delegate her responsibilities to others, she must depend upon herself.

Delegates appointed to represent New York Hospital Nurses Training School Alumni Association at Meetings of the New York County Association for Year 1928.

Misses Emma Benz, Anna L. Reutinger, Mary Holland, Catherine B. Hay, Bertha Lehmkuhl, Nellie McCrea, Ethel Fennemore, Blanche Bartlett, Vera Beach, Florence Alston, Mary Fauquier, Anna B. Duncan, Mildred Gibson, Esther Long, H. M. Loomis, Clara Green.

Mrs. Laura Marquis.

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Mathilde Jouffret, Mabel Neikerk, E. S. Malmgern, Helen Daum, Marcella Fay, Sarah Moore, Margaret Wyatt, Estelle Arthur, Gertrude Wiley.

Mrs. A. B. Avery.

LEGISLATION

Great concern being manifested in legislation at the present moment, at the request of your Editor, I have tried to express in concise form the various steps necessary in the passage of a bill.

Any citizen has the right to propose legislation. To bring it before the legislature, however, it is necessary to have it introduced by a member of the senate or assembly.

1. **Drafting.** Every measure is submitted to the Bill Drafting Committee, which goes over it to be sure that it is not in conflict with the State Constitution, or does not nullify existing and satisfactory laws. Three copies are made for the senate and three for the assembly. It is then ready for introduction.

2. **Introduction.** All measures are introduced in both houses as nearly as possible at the same time. The choice of the introducer is important. For some legislation, it is best to have it introduced by a man representing the rural section of the state—for others the urban section, and in all cases he is one who understands the measure, and is sympathetic with it.

3. **Reference.** Upon introduction, a measure is first read in each house, then referred by the president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly, to committees for consideration. For example, the woman juror bill is referred to the Judiciary Committees of both houses; child marriage to the General Laws Committee in the senate and to the Judiciary Committee in the assembly.

4. **Printing.** After being read and referred to committee, a measure is ordered printed for the senate and for the assembly. Each bill receives two numbers: the first, the introductory number; the second, the print number. They are written for example: A. I. 18, A. P. 25 and S. I. 18, S. P. 30 ("A" meaning assembly; "S" meaning senate). If amended the bill receives a new print number. All are filed in senate and assembly document rooms by print number only. If you do not know this and wish a copy, write your senator or assemblyman, giving the name of the introducer, and a brief summary of the content of the bill and he will send you a copy when it is printed.

5. **Hearing.** The proponents or opponents of a measure have the right to ask for a hearing before the committee when both sides may be presented. A hearing is arranged in consultation with the chairman of the committees that have the measures in charge and with the clerks of both houses. Each side is given equal time, the opponents being heard first. At the joint hearing before committees of both houses, the chairman of the senate committee presides.

6. **Passage.** Each measure must be acted upon by the committee to which it has been referred, that is, the committee discusses it and votes as to whether they will report or not. If reported, it goes on the daily calendar of the senate or assembly. The committee, however, may vote not to report a measure. It is possible to get a vote on a measure thus "killed in committee" by asking for the "discharge of the committee." This requires first a vote for the discharge of committee, then a vote on passage of the measure itself. This is a difficult procedure, considered most unfriendly to the committee concerned and is not to be resorted to without the cordial co-operation of the introducers of the bill and careful consideration of all the effects likely to result.

After being reported out in either senate or assembly, a measure goes on the daily calendar and may be amended by striking out words or phrases and adding others. The introducer has the right to have a star placed before his measure on the calendar, which means it will not be voted on until he is ready for its passage. He may also ask for recommitment to committee for amendment. No measure may be passed unless it has been read three times, and "it must be printed and upon the desks of the members in its final form at least three calendar legislative days prior to its final passage." Only by a special message from the governor may a bill be voted on without these formalities. Upon the last reading, no amendments are allowed. It must pass the senate and the assembly in identical form. It is then sent to the governor for his consideration.

7. **Signature.** The governor has thirty days to study the measures passed by the legislature and may call a hearing on any one of them. He may veto a measure or fail to sign it. A measure becomes a law on the date specified on the measure and when signed by the governor.

M. L. ROGERS, Chairman Legislative Committee.

GRADING OF NURSES

There is considerable talk about "Grading of Nurses" in the Nursing Magazines at the present time and some expense which nurses are being called upon to meet in part.

It gives one food for thought—if after meeting the preliminary requirements for entrance to Nurse Training Schools, the severe physical, practical and theoretical test of the probationary period; the two to three year term of training and passing the regents examination—one must be weighed in the balance of some statistician's scale and placed in column A. B. C. or Zero. Something must be seriously wrong with our system of training if this is necessary. It seems to me we should begin our grading during the period of training. It is a sad commentary upon our system if at this late day we are dependent for our standing upon the returns of a questionnaire filled out

by a medical profession who are self-confessedly "50% of them without any cultural background or ethical standards." Fortunately the public have an opinion and the humble bone of contention (the private duty nurse) has an opportunity to make contacts and create an influence of no uncertain weight in the community.

Her greatest weakness is delegating her business to someone else. We have associations of every group, but the "**private nurse group**" which is, after all, the strength of the profession and the sooner she realizes that she must represent herself, the better.

ADDRESS BY MARGARET H. WILSON. R. N. (1909)

Superintendent, Sigma Gamma Convalescent Home for Crippled Children

Delivered at Annual Meeting of Michigan Society for Crippled Children, Held at Ann Arbor, Mich., February 5th 1928, at University Hospital and the Michigan Union

I am honored in being asked to tell you something of the work that is being done in the Sigma Gamma Convalescent Home for Crippled Children. I must admit public speaking is not a favorite pastime of mine, and the only thought that gave me the courage to come today is my deep interest in the work you are doing for the handicapped children of Michigan. Some of you, may have heard our president, Mrs. Henry Sheldon, outline the origin of the Sigma Gamma Association—that group of Detroit young women, filled with zeal to give something of themselves to benefit a few of this world's less favored little ones.

After many discussions and investigations, they agreed to make the care of the crippled child their objective. Seven years ago, they opened the Sigma Gamma Clinic and as the work grew, they felt the need of a place wherein their cases could be taken care of, from a convalescent standpoint. Operative cases—built up for operation—post operatives placed in proper environment under professional supervision, at a minimum cost.

January 5th, 1926, saw the realization of this dream of these young women, when the convalescent home opened its doors for the admission of patients.

Our idea was a small unit for Orthopedic conditions. We are small—equipped for 46 children, between the ages of 15 months and 14 years. State as well as Detroit cases, the majority, have so far come to us through the

Detroit Board of Health Workers,

Corrective Department of the Public Schools and other organizations, such as

The Children's Aid,

St. Vincent De Paul and

The Macomb County Crippled Children Ass'n.

Cases are admitted through the clinic, which functions as the Out Patients' Department of the Home—takes care of the usual "check-up" preparatory to admission and the Social Service follow up work after discharge.

When admitted, the child is isolated for 14 days, and if during the period of isolation, no symptoms of a communicable disease develops, the child is taken into the ward; follows the daily routine—if school age, enters school and takes up occupational therapy. We have as resident teacher a teacher from the Leland School, Detroit. Her difficulties are many—the children are of such varied ages. We also have an occupational therapist, who, with the assistance of the Volunteer S. G. Workers, teach the children weaving, basketry, sewing and drawing. Realizing that the educational and vocational problem of the convalescent crippled child an important one to be solved, we plan as a next step to add an open air school, as a foundation for a very definite aid toward the goal of helping the child to take his place as a normal citizen, and not as a handicapped one.

You all know that constant occupation is a most vital factor in the convalescent period; many children are recumbent for months. Spinal cases on Bradford frames or in plaster shells; hips, on frames with traction, after reduction, in plaster casts—they are not suffering, hence the necessity of busy hands and minds. So with Physiotherapy, Alpine Light and Heliotherapy during the summer months they are a busy and happy little band.

The Orthopedic treatment is long and tedious, requires time and patience. Constant supervision to attain good results. The idea of proper position, only when the doctor and visitors come, does not work out. Soon the children realize the importance of co-operation and you find them checking up on each other. Dr. Stiefel, surgeon-in-charge, spends every Wednesday at the Home. On the first Wednesday of the month, our medical advisors, Dr. Roland Althy, Detroit, and Dr. Norton of Mt. Clemens meet Dr. Stiefel, and together with the Orthopedic staff make a survey of all the children. The staff consists of two supervisors, graduate nurses, Orthopedic experience, one Physiotherapist, occupational therapist, housekeeper; we employ ten young girls between 18 and 25 to take care of the children. Have organized a course of one year's training consisting of lectures on Orthopedic cases in the Home by Dr. Stiefel. A medical talk by our Pediatrician, practical work on the wards, nursing ethics by superintendent—this course does not make the girls professionals, far from it, it simply stimulates their ambition—raises the morale of the institution and impresses the fact that they, too, are helping toward the end result—the straightening out not only of the bodies, but, of the minds of these children, and this cannot be done by the surgeon alone—the atmosphere of the home must back him, first: by bringing happiness, we win the child's confidence, and they go home filled with encouragement for a brighter future, and with such happy memories of the days spent in the country.

So we feel we have taken one more step toward solving the problem of the crippled children of Michigan with Farmington, larger by far than we are—Michigan can now claim two convalescent homes. It is on its way to rank with some of the Eastern States, where they are so ably handling their situation.

Must not forget before closing, to tell you, we have a fully registered Boy Scout Troup, Troop 21. Meetings every Saturday afternoon—contact with the Boy Scouts of Mt. Clemens has been a stimulus in the minds of the older boys—teaching them higher ideals and the value of truth and clean living. We are now working for a Girl Scout Troop.

A LOVING TRIBUTE

Those who were able to attend the March meeting of our Alumnae Association should never forget the unveiling of Miss Sutcliffe's portrait by one of the outstanding graduates, Dean Goodrich of the Yale School of Nursing.

Miss Jane E. Hitchcock, another pioneer graduate, addressed the 1928 graduating class and introduced Dean Goodrich, who spoke with her wonderful breadth of vision, paying high tribute to Miss Sutcliffe and the principles for which she stood and worked so faithfully and untiringly.

The actual unveiling was most impressive—the response being an instantaneous burst of applause, followed by a period of intense silence.

When our portrait is hung on the walls of the New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center, amongst the portraits of the Governors of the Society of the New York Hospital, we feel sure that every nurse who has graduated from the hospital will take great pride in it.

Mr. Ernest Ipsen, the artist, we think, has caught Miss Sutcliffe's spirit with unusual skill and a sensitive appreciation of it. It will, we believe, be a reminder in the years to come, of the ideals for which Miss Sutcliffe's life stands and it will always be a loving tribute from the graduates of the School of Nursing to her, who has so greatly influenced the development of the school and the personal lives of the New York Hospital Nurses.

The committee is glad to report that through the courtesy of the artist, we have been able to secure an excellent photograph of the portrait which may be secured through either Miss Jordan or Miss Duncan at a cost of \$3.00. Those desiring to possess one of these beautiful reproductions, should send their check, payable to Miss Duncan, 47 West 47th Street as

soon as possible, so we may place the order for the quantity needed to meet the demand.

(Signed)

COMMITTEE ON PORTRAIT OF MISS SUTLIFFE.

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(Those desiring photograph mailed please add 25c to the cost for special protective mailing envelope.)

PERSONALS

Miss Helen Maher (Class 1907) has been made Chief Supervising Nurse in the Bureau of Nursing, Department of Health, of New York City.

Miss Lillian Wald of Henry Street Settlement, was guest of honor at a luncheon given at Libby's Hotel in recognition of her thirty-five years of service. The thirty-five guests present pledged themselves to raise \$18,000 for additional nurses at the Settlement.

Miss Annie Slack (Class 1914) has taken charge of the American Hospital of the Largo Petroleum Corporation at Maracaibo, Venezuela, S. A., for eighteen months.

Mrs. C. Kilpatrick is living at the Club. She has entered her daughter in the New York Hospital Training School.

Miss Grace Lawrence (Class 1920) who returned recently from a trip abroad, has announced her engagement to Mr. Wallace M. Rainey, the happy event to take place in August or September.

Misses Etta and Cora Long are on a motor trip through the South.

Mrs. Hilda F. Gaunt Sewell has changed her residence from East Orange to 3575 Reidham Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Miss Johanneson has returned from her trip to her home in Norway and will live at the Club.

Miss Elizabeth Long has been spending the winter with Miss Strombone in Nassau. Both are returning to the Club.

Mrs. A. D. McIlroy (1919) spent two very enjoyable weeks with Ava Arnold Kenny in Sault St. Marie. Mrs. Kenny would be very happy to hear from her friends.

Miss Mary O'Connell (1926) has taken a trip abroad.

Miss Edith Gouinlock is in San Diego, California, with a patient.

A speedy and complete recovery is wished by all for Miss Mary Beard, Miss Dumond, Miss Theresa Carpenter and Mrs. May (Florence Murphy, 1920) all patients at the N. Y. H.

Miss Ethel Greenwood of the Victorian Order of Nurses was elected Chairman of District No. 5. Registered Nurses'

Association. The District includes the counties of York, Ontario, Peel and Simcoe.

Miss Agnes Fletcher is at States' Villa, Atlantic City. Her many friends hope she will return greatly benefitted from her vacation.

We are sorry to hear Mrs. Ethel Hosking, while visiting Mrs. R. P. Huntington, at Garnett, S. C., while out riding, fell from her mount and fractured two ribs. Here's hoping the next horse she rides on she better be tied on.

Miss Theresa Geisser has been a recent visitor at the Club after returning from a trip to the West Indies.

Miss Conway and Miss Cameron are down in Florida with their patients.

Living at the Club this winter are: Miss Tomlinson, Miss Emmet, Miss Richmond, Miss Dumond, Miss Cameron, Mrs. Killup, Mrs. Nutall, Miss Stearns, Miss Stevens, Miss Wylie, Miss Rowly, Miss McInis.

Congratulations are extended to Miss Helen Muddel and Dr. MacIntosh who are to be married April 13th. Bermuda is the destination of the happy couple.

Miss E. M. Wilkinson has spent the winter at Jekyl Island, Ga.

Owing to illness in her family Miss Barnfield was obliged to return to Bermuda for an indefinite time.

Miss Emily Simpson, who has been seriously ill at the New York Hospital, is to be congratulated upon her speedy recovery.

Mrs. L. Smith Multer gave a very enjoyable dinner to her classmates, Miss Bower, Mrs. Hartmann, Mrs. Cutter, Miss Burroughs and Miss Richmond on March 13, the occasion being Miss Richmond's twenty-fourth birthday.

Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, personnel manager and social service director of Kohler Industries, has just completed putting in a million dollar policy group life and disability insurance plan for the employees under her care.

On Saturday, March 17th, a very enjoyable Bridge party was held at the Club. There were nine tables and Miss Nina Sinnott and Miss Emma Powell won prizes.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Verna Smith whose father died suddenly. To Miss Grafton over the loss of her sister. To Mrs. Nutall and Miss Strombone, who both lost brothers.

HOSPITAL'S OBLIGATION TO PATIENT

I should like to see some attention given to the question of how much nursing service should a private patient expect from the hospital. There is another side to the question beside that of the patient. The student nurses in the old days received in the private wards considerable experience in the care of private patients, and were, therefore, much better prepared for private duty nursing than they are at the present time. The

students are, therefore, losing a very valuable preparation for a field which claims a larger number of nurses than any other. I should like very much to see some thought and attention given to this particular question. A nurse who had been out of this country for three years, with an important school of nursing in a European country recently returned in order to brush up on nursing questions. During her stay here she had an opportunity to review a good many phases of work, both in the institutional and in the public health field. In summarizing her thoughts in the matter, she said that she felt that a very decided change had come about during her absence, either in the conditions in this country, or in her own point of view. She felt that we were emphasizing nurses, rather than nursing. She received the impression that too much emphasis was being placed upon the possession of a degree; that given two women, one with a good education, a good background of experience and personal qualifications, and another with a college degree without very much experience, preference would be given to the second in a choice for a given position. I am wondering if there is not some truth in this. Perhaps in our effort to secure a better preliminary educational background the pendulum has swung just a little too far in that direction.

CLARA D. NOYES, American Red Cross.

MARRIAGES

Miss Elizabeth R. Feagles, Class 1920, to Mr. John Edward Harris, on December 3rd, 1927, at Denver, Colo.

Miss Wilhelmena Stevenson, Class 1925, to Mr. H. C. Keel on February 26th, 1928.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Girard B. Henderson (Theodora Huntington, 1925) a baby girl on January 25th.

Ruth Vaughan Lewis, born February 20, 1928, at Sloane Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Vaughan Lewis (Helen Talcot, Class 1918).

To Dr. and Mrs. John E. Holt (Winifred Luddaby) a daughter, Nancy Ann.

DEATHS

Miss Leila Finney (Class 1900), February 10th at her home in Toronto, Ont.

Miss H. E. MacDonald (Class 1888), died March 1st at Norwalk, Conn.

Dr. Harriet Kundson Burnett (Class 1883), on January 24, 1928. She was one of the founders of the Homeopathic Hospital of Essex County and a member of the Staff.

HOSPITAL

By DOROTHY STOTT SHAW

Thank the dear God for pain
And its knife-keen smart;
After it, peace again,
And a quieter heart.

The cold, sweet ether smell,
And four white walls;
The sound of a chapel bell
Through silent halls.

Evening . . . and night . . . and dawn . . .
A maple tree!
Laughter across a lawn—
And Life for me!

A PRAYER FOR HEALTH

(From Health News)

In the quaint little town of Chester, Cheshire County, England, the following health prayer was found on the walls of an old cathedral, according to the National Dairy Council:

Give me a good digestion, Lord,
And also something to digest,
Give me a healthy body, Lord,
And sense to keep it at its best.

Give me a healthy mind, good Lord,
To keep the good and pure in sight
Which seeing sin is not appalled
But finds a way to set it right.

Give me a mind that is not bored,
That does not whimper, whine or sigh,
Don't let me worry overmuch
About the fussy thing called I.

Give me a sense of humor, Lord
Give me the grace to see a joke.
To get some happiness from life
And pass it on to other folk.

The verses contain real mental hygiene for modern Americans.

HARASSED VIRTUE

A country preacher in Alabama, a dusky divine by the name of Williams, noticed a new face in his congregation, and when the service was ended he hurried down to greet the newcomer.

"Mr. Martin," he said, "this is the first time you've been to our church. I'm mighty glad to see you here."

Whereupon Mr. Martin replied: "Ah had to come, pahson. Ah needs strengthenin'. Ah's got me a job white-washin' a chicken-coop an' buildin' a fence round a watermelyon patch."—New Outlook (Toronto).

A real estate salesman tried to sell a house to a newly married couple. Said the wife: "Why buy a home? I was born in a hospital ward, reared in a boarding-school, educated in a college, courted in an automobile, and married in a church; get my meals at a cafeteria; live in an apartment; spend my mornings playing golf, my afternoons playing bridge; in the evening we dance or go to the movies; when I'm sick I go to the hospital and when I die I shall be buried from an undertaker's. All we need is a garage with bedroom."—Christian Register.

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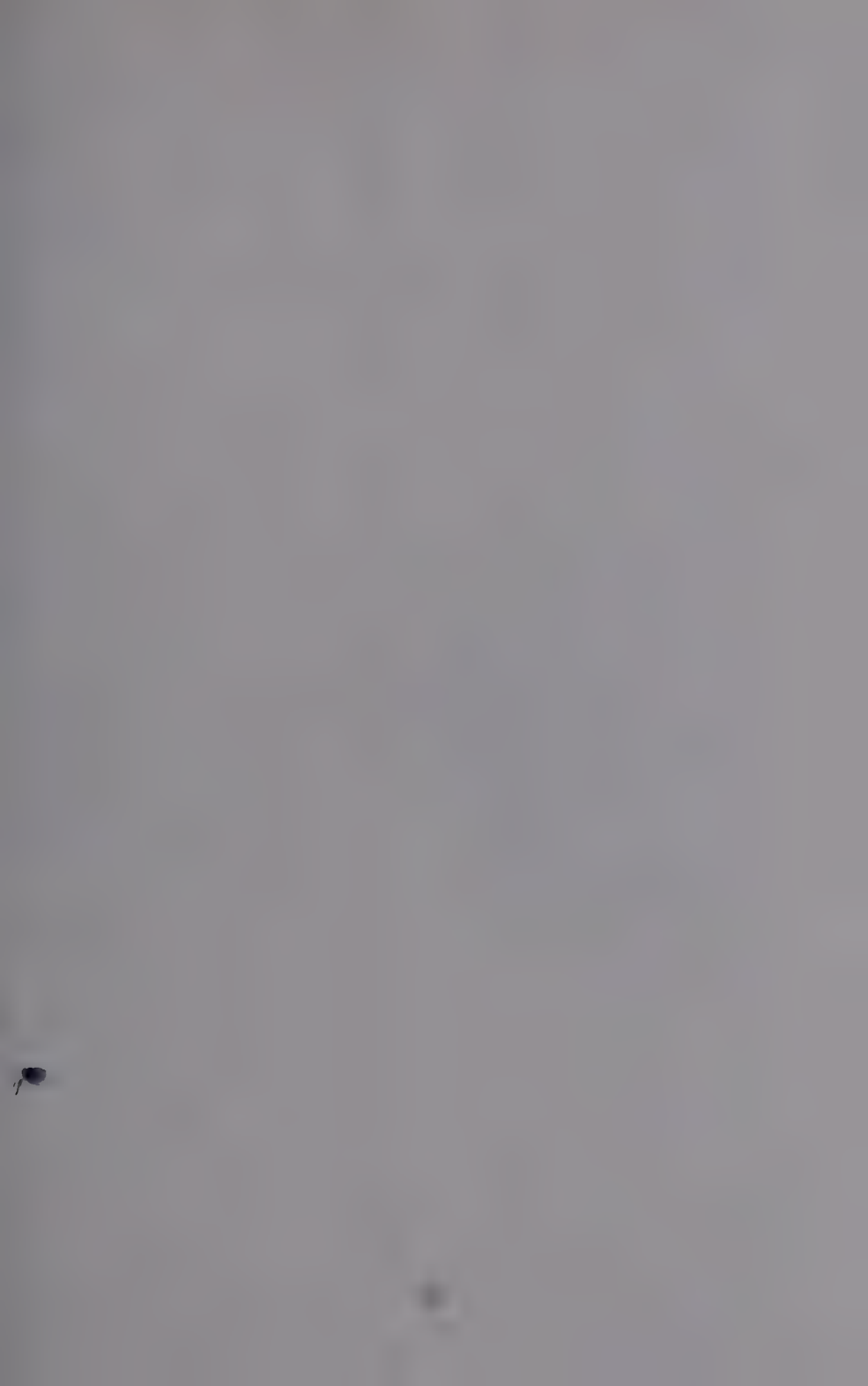
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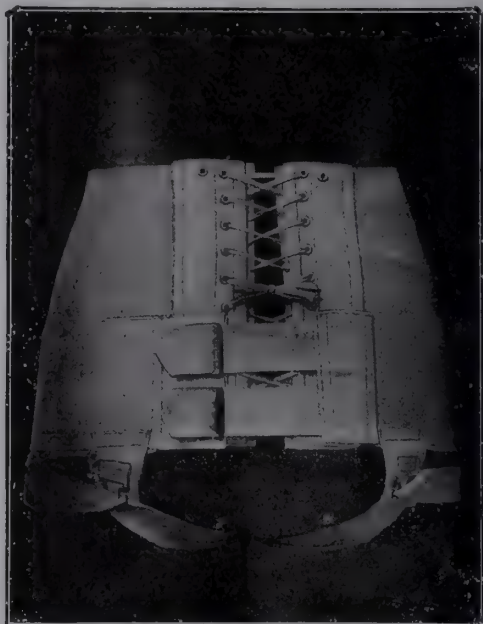
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MEETINGS

The next meeting of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association will be held on Thursday evening, October 11th, at 8 p. m.

The New York County Association, District No. 13, next meeting will be held in Brooklyn, in October. The exact date and place will be announced.

MEETING

A meeting of the Presidents and Secretaries of the Alumnae Associations of District 13, was called by Miss Farrel, District President, on May 15th, at the Central Club, 132 East 45th Street.

These officers if unable to attend were requested to send members to represent them. Mrs. M. L. Rogers and Miss Emma L. Benz, were asked to represent the officers of our Association. Twenty-four Associations were represented. The object of the meeting was to get acquainted and to have some definite plan of action for the coming year's work.

Miss Strack, who had been acting as Executive State Secretary before the appointment of Miss Garnsey, gave a very good talk on some of the difficulties she experienced in State work. She stated the officers of the Alumnae Associations, either were not conversant with their duties or else they were extremely slack. They were not punctual in sending in names and addresses of officers and delegates and sometimes had to be asked for them. When asked to present names to the nominating committee they either ignored the request or sent in names without asking the candidate whether they would serve or not.

Miss Caroline Garnsey, the newly appointed executive state secretary who is a graduate of the Children's Hospital in Boston, gave an interesting talk on the plan of state organization and presented a chart of plan.

She stressed the importance of attending your Alumni Association and District meetings and of gradually assuming some responsibility by acting on committees or as officers when occasion arises. She said nothing was so detrimental as keeping the same people in office. She emphasized the importance of joining Red Cross, Relief and Sick Benefit Association, etc.

Someone asked from the floor would Miss Garnsey please explain the Webb-Lattin Bill?

Miss Garnsey replied, she had hoped the subject of the **Bill** would not come up. She then said the **Bill** was the most misunderstood, misconstrued piece of legislation that had ever come up. It was a perfectly fine bill destined for the good and protection of the nurse. There was always some nurses who objected—they had opposed registration. Its opponents claimed this classified them with hostlers, lumbermen etc., which was not true. She would read just what the Webb-Lattin Bill said. She then read Article 2, Sec. 185 of the Employment Bureau Law which is Article 2 of the General Business Law. She closed her statement by saying, "The dissenting group belonged with hostlers, lumbermen, etc."

Mrs. Rogers, of New York Hospital, called Miss Garnsey's attention to the fact that she had **not** read the Webb-Lattin amendment but the old Employment Agency Law, Article 2, Sec. 185, passed in 1910. That the Webb-Lattin amendment which **we** objected to was Section 170, of the General Business Law,—which by removing us from the **exemption** which we enjoyed with teachers, executives in Educational Institutions, Hospitals, etc., placed us in the uneducated group.

Miss Garnsey stated that sentence was taken out because some of these Alumnae were **running very poor registries**, kept inaccurate and insufficient records, they thought there should be no distinction, this group was very small and should be willing to give up and go under the Official Registry for the good of the many. She further stated it was a very hazardous thing to try to amend a bill.

Mrs. Rogers replied by saying this particular group of objectors represented (50 per cent of the nurses in the State) and were the group who worked for registration, founded Central Club Registry for the benefit of strange nurses in the city. The objectors in other days had been The Correspondence School Chautauqua and Certified Nurses School in Albany. She added that we knew there was a great deal of work connected with amending a bill, but did not think it dangerous or impossible as nurses always had a sympathetic hearing from politicians.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA BENZ, Acting Secretary.

ALUMNAE MEETING

April 12, 1928

The April meeting of the Alumnae Association was held April 12, 1928 at the Clubhouse, Miss Richardson, Vice-President, in the absence of Miss Beard, presided. Miss Barrett was asked to act as secretary in the absence of Miss Verna Smith.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report of Clubhouse and Alumnae were read and approved.

In the absence of Miss Price, Miss Olive McDougall read the minutes of the Board of Directors.

The following names for membership were read and voted to be accepted on payment of dues:

Mrs. B. P. Abbot (nee Lina Clanenning).

Miss Nea Norton, Miss Helen R. Rowley.

Miss Alberta C. Schenerlein, Miss Florence J. Stokes, Miss Jessie M. Warner, and Miss Ruth Whitney.

Reports of Fund for Sick Nurses, the Special Committee and the Portrait Committee were read.

The Portrait Committee suggested that the expenses aside from the painting of the portrait be paid by the Alumnae Association. This suggestion met with the approval and it was moved by Mrs. M. L. Rogers, seconded by Miss Walton that these expenses be met by the Alumnae Association.

The Lattin Bill: Mrs. M. L. Rogers read a very interesting paper and some discussion followed. Mrs. Rogers asked what she would be privileged to do at a meeting for Monday, April 16, where Mt. Sinai, St. Luke's and New York Hospital would be represented. A motion was made by Miss Grafton, seconded by Miss Wood, that Mrs. Rogers be empowered to act as she would think best, Mrs. Rogers having studied the whole matter thoroughly.

Letters: Mrs. Clementina Case Kilpatrick has paid her dues and wished to be reinstated. Voted that she be received into membership. Letter of gratitude and appreciation from Miss Finney's sister. Letter from Mary Creed asking for names of delegates to meeting of American Nurse Association in Louisville, Ky., June 4, to June 9. Moved by Miss McCrae and seconded by Miss Grafton that Mrs. M. L. Rogers be our official delegate.

Moved that letters of sympathy be sent to Mrs. George Parker on the death of her husband, and to Miss Eleanor D. McNamara on the death of her mother.

A very interesting speaker, Miss Mary Ward of the Civic Repertory Theater gave us a most delightful half hour.

The meeting then adjourned for refreshments and social hour.

Respectively submitted,

L. H. BARNETT, Acting Secretary.

ALUMNAE MEETING

May 10, 1928

The May meeting of the Alumnae Association was held May 10, 1928, at the Clubhouse, Miss Richardson, Vice-President, in the absence of Miss Beard, presided.

In the absence of Miss Berna Smith, Miss Barrett was asked to act as Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Miss Price, Secretary of the Board of Directors read the report of their meeting which was approved.

The Treasurer's report of the Clubhouse and Alumnae Association were read and approved.

Miss Holland, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported the approval of the gift of \$100.00 to the Henry Street Settlement, and also of paying all the expenses of the printing, postage, etc., in connection with the portrait, except the insurance. Miss Duncan reported that all the money had been raised for the portrait and expenditures, with \$50.00 over in the Treasury.

The Finance Committee did not approve the expenditure of \$50.00 a year for five years to the Committee on Grading Schools of Nursing. There was considerable discussion and some misunderstanding regarding it. It was voted to lay the matter on the table until further information could be obtained, and an intelligent vote taken.

Report of Fund for Sick Nurses was read.

Unfinished business:

Mrs. Rogers read a report of the meeting of April 16, in regard to matters pertaining to the Lattin Bill. Mt. Sinai, St. Luke's and New York Hospitals were represented. Letters were read to and from Miss Burgess, clearing some misunderstanding.

Letters read from Miss Eleanor MacNamara in reply to the letter of sympathy in the loss of her mother, from the Alumnae.

Invitation to the Florence Nightingale Services was read.

A newspaper clipping concerning the Burnet Memorial was read.

Dr. Harriet Burnet, nee Knudsen, one of the New York Hospital graduates died Jan 15, 1928. A nurse's home is to be erected to her memory. Mrs. Jessie Annis Harroun's resignation was read and accepted.

Minutes of the New York County Registered Nurses' Association meeting, March 6, 1928 were read. Miss Duncan's report also read. Miss Hitchcock asked for signatures to the petition to the State to ratify the amendment of the Federal laws governing child labor.

Miss Sutcliffe stated she had just heard of the death of Dr. Stuyvesant Morris. Dr. Morris was not only physician to the nurses, but a great friend to them. Miss Sutcliffe was asked to draw up a resolution of sympathy.

Meeting then adjourned and refreshments were served.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA C. BARRETT.

ALUMNAE MEETING

June 14, 1928

The June monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Clubhouse. We were happy to have our President, Miss Beard, with us again and able to preside.

The usual business of the meeting was carried on. A report of the meeting at Louisville, Ky., was read. (The report is printed in full on another page).

A general discussion was held on the Lattin Bill bringing out some interesting points.

Miss Benz told of a bed to be endowed at the Medical Center for sick nurses.

It was found that we had already voted at a former meeting that \$50.00 a year for five years be given by our Alumnae Association to assist in work of grading of nurses.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNA C. SMITH, Corresponding Secretary.

The Alumnae meeting of April 12, had a very interesting speaker in Miss Mary Holden Ward, of "The Civic Repertory

Co." She told of the work of Miss Eva LeGallienne and her great effort in the Campaign for a two hundred thousand membership, which would make it possible to carry on the work they contemplate.

Miss Ward, took a first-aid course during the war, and later when overseas, was attached to our Base Hospital, No. 9, for a short period of time. She was then known as Miss Holden. She recognized some friends at the meeting and a pleasant reunion took place later.

• VERNA C. SMITH.

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

May 10th, 1928.

On April 16th, the Chairmen of Committees on Legislation of New York, St. Luke's, Bellevue, Post Graduate and other hospitals, met with a member of the Employment License Bureau, who advised us to refuse to pay our dues, thus making a test case to prove whether the law is constitutional or not. After considerable discussion and a careful consideration we decided unanimously that, as it was a State law we might jeopardize our standing with State authorities by having a decision first by the District Attorney instead of making it a State matter originally. In order to be quite sure we later had legal advice which proved our decision to have been a wise one. With the loyal authorization of the Board of Trustees we held back our dues to the License Bureau until we had this legal opinion, so they were not paid until May 7th.

The committee appointed at the March meeting of the Associated Registry Group to interview Dr. Van Ettan re the Webb-Lattin Bill has never been called and we have arrived at the conclusion that no valuable action can be depended upon from this body. We have really consumed valuable time by relying on their promises.

In April we heard that a Nurses' Labor Union was in process of formation as a direct result of this recent legislation. We made some investigation and finally through influence succeeded in gaining access to this meeting which was held in the Woman's Trade Union Building. We were very much surprised to find that they were already organized and have taken steps for incorporation. That they have a very definite plan to organize locals in the principal cities of the State—Buffalo, Albany and Rochester. There were about 40 present and the number increased until perhaps 75 were present. The meeting was in charge of a very uncouth labor delegate at first—dues were being collected, new members apparently being taken on. Then Dr. Lindsey of the American Federation of Labor arrived and gave a very sensible address. It seems he is the man who was successful in unionizing the teachers and the theatrical group, and is a much higher type than the usual labor unionizer. He advised a strong publicity campaign in the daily papers as soon

as they were incorporated. There are to be a great many papers on this subject at Louisville and St. Luke's seem to think this is so important that they are sending two delegates, one of which shall devote all her time to the Registry Questions under discussion.

We have had no constructive help from Headquarters. They state that a mistake has been made. An important clause which exempted the Alumnae Associations has been lost—nobody knows how. Well, that might happen, but why not make some effort to replace it?

The report of a letter received from Miss Elizabeth Burgess of Teachers' College, claiming that she had been misquoted in a previous report and my reply thereto was submitted to the Board of Trustees at their meeting May 3, also an analysis of the bill which I prepared for the District Attorney. They have requested that I read those papers here.

Respectfully submitted,

April 26, 1928.

Miss M. J. McCabe,
Editor, Alumnae News,
317 West 45th Street,
New York City.

My dear Miss McCabe:

Within the past few days there has been brought to my attention a copy of the Alumnae News of April, 1928, which reports the meeting on April 10 of the Associated Registry Group. I am writing in reference to this report and the report of the Committee on Legislation which follows it.

There appears to have been certain misunderstandings on the part of the chairman of your Legislative Committee which I desire to correct. I presume that "Miss Burgess of Barnard" refers to me. I have no connection with Barnard. My work is in the Nursing Education Department of Teachers' College and I was present at that meeting as a representative of the Official Registry. Dr. Burgess, the statistician, has made no study under the auspices of the Official Registry. Dr. May Ayres Burgess is the Director of the Committee on the Grading of Nursing Schools, and as such, has just completed a study, the Economics of Nursing, which has included a study of nurse registries all over the country.

The Official Registry Committee has made a study during the past year of the Official Registry of District 13 and its functions. District 13 expects shortly to put into effect a program in this registry looking toward making that registry much more helpful than in the past, both to physicians, the public and the nurses.

There appears to be considerable confusion in the discussion of the Lattin Amendment to the Business Law. I cannot, of

course, recall the exact words which I used concerning this amendment, but I could not have said what I am quoted as saying, because some of the statements made are quite incorrect. In the first place, the Education Department at Albany does not at this time, or has it had in the past, anything to do with registries for nurses. The State Department of Education grants a license to nurses who meet its requirements, to practice as Registered Nurses in this State, in the same manner in which they license physicians, dentists, pharmacists and others. This is their only function in relation to nurses. When a nurse, a nurses' association or any group of persons or an individual starts a nurse registry, they are undertaking a business and because they are undertaking a business, this business must be controlled by the business laws of the State.

What I apparently failed to make clear was that the whole matter had nothing whatever to do with the Education Department. The Lattin Amendment was introduced into the Legislature through the efforts of the State Medical Association. The reason for its introduction was a desire on the part of physicians, in which they were supported by the State Nurses' Association, to protect the public from the untrained and partially-trained nurse who is frequently sent out under false pretenses by certain commercial registries. By commercial registries, we refer to those registries conducted for profit. It is undoubtedly difficult for those who have not known of the practice of many of these registries to understand why it is important that registries be required to send a statement following the sending of a nurse to a case, stating the type of nurse sent and what her preparation has been. Those who have studied the situation and know how detrimental it has been in the past, are grateful indeed for this provision in the business law. A provision has also been made in this law by which the State Department of Education is given the power to examine the books of the registry, to check up on whether the nurse listed in such registries as registered nurses are what they claim to be.

The first clause of this law contains a statement as to the "application of article". In this paragraph, certain employment agencies are exempted, and prior to this amendment there was a clause which exempted the registries conducted by Nurse Alumnae Associations. For some reason which those of us who have inquired are unable to ascertain, this clause was omitted when the present revision went into effect. The State Medical Association, which introduced the Amendment, does not appear to know when or why the clause was omitted. Had it remained in, the registries conducted by the Alumnae Associations of the New York Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital and a few others, would have been exempted from this act. The Official Registry has, ever since its organization some fifteen or sixteen years ago, come under the business law, since it could not be exempted under this article. Therefore, the only way in which the amendment effects the Official Registry is to cause it to send out information regarding persons whom they send to cases, and its

books, as well as all others, must be open to the representatives of the State Department of Education, as well as the representatives of the Employment Agency Law, if they desire to see them.

I am sorry to find that I have written at such length but I believe the matter should be clarified. It is very evident that many of our nurses do not understand that the whole purpose of the amendment is to provide a safeguard for the qualified registered nurse and the public. I should be very sorry to see any change made in its provision, with the exception of the exemption of the alumnae registries. The Secretary of the State Board of Nurse Examiners tells me that this amendment has already had the effect of stimulating hundreds of nurses to become registered who had hitherto been entirely neglectful of this responsibility.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mrs. Margaret Rogers, Miss Mary Beard, Miss M. E. Jordan and to Miss Lillian Wald.

Very sincerely yours,

ELIZABETH C. BURGESS.

317 WEST 45th STREET
NEW YORK CITY

May 1, 1928

Miss Elizabeth C. Burgess, R.N.
Department Nursing Education,
Teachers College,
Columbia University, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

I have the copy of your letter addressed to Miss McCabe and am very sorry there has been an error relative to your position at Teachers College. It is inexcusable so far as you are concerned. With regard to Dr. Burgess we know she is employed as Director of the Grading Committee. We know she is not a nurse but we are not so clear, as to why she is at so many committee meetings. No doubt her presence is duly authorized but it is confusing. However, I apologize, I should have seen the proof, and I regret very much that this mistake occurred.

Regarding your statement concerning "Registries and Dept. of Education at Albany", I am quite sincere in believing that I quoted you correctly. I took notes at this meeting as I had been requested by my Alumnae Association to bring back a detailed report, and submitted it to another member of the Associated Group before sending it to the "News". I feel I took all reasonable precautions to be accurate.

Since receiving your letter I have communicated individually with two other members who were present, and while unable to remember the words used, their understanding of the opinion expressed was in agreement with the article as printed. As you

do not state what you think you did say, I do not know to what extent we misunderstood you.

It would appear from later developments that we had some other misunderstandings of that meeting. It was our understanding that a committee had been appointed at that meeting to confer with Dr. Van Etting of the State Medical Society regarding amending the Webb-Lattin Bill. As that meeting has never been called and as there was a meeting with the State Medical Society on March 10th of which we were not informed, we are beginning to think we have misunderstood the Associated Registry Group and their purpose from the first.

At the present time we are familiar as to the members of the nursing profession who were responsible for the Webb-Lattin blunder. I enclose copy of a letter mailed to members of League of Nursing Education and others—and after examining the letter files of an assemblyman at Albany we are able to place “The National Leaders whose names for reasons of policy were withheld.”

There is naturally a question in our minds whether it is worthwhile to support National, State and County Associations, when we consider the unfortunate situation in which they have placed the nurses of New York State. That, however, is for the future.

For the present we are working openly—not secretly for an amendment. We are not identified with the group who wish to do away with registration or with the group who are forming or rather have formed a Labor Union. We want the sentence that was eliminated from the Employment Agency Law which exempted us from its requirements restored. Is Headquarters with us or against us? So far, they have been silent except for waves of criticism which reach us and the not very helpful suggestion “That we will get used to it.” I repeat we are working for an amendment and we have no wish to misrepresent anyone.

Yours sincerely,

MARGARET L. ROGERS,

Chairman, Legislative Committee,

N. Y. Hospital Tr. School Alumnae Association.

BIENNIAL CONVENTION AMERICAN NURSES’ ASSOCIATION

On Monday morning June 4th, in that prosperous R. R. Center Louisville, Kentucky, with its tree embowered homes, comfortable hotels, smart shops and many beautiful parks—The Biennial Convention of the three great National Nursing Organizations, with its many sections opened in the Jefferson County Armory.

Approximately 5,000 nurses were welcomed by Governor Fleming D. Sampson and Mayor William B. Harrison. We were

not offered the keys of the city but a cordial invitation to visit Frankfort was extended by the Governor who said the latch-string would be out. Mayor Harrison was on time and offered us the best the City had to offer and the worst, he said—was the heavy rain then pattering on the roof.

Miss S. Lillian Clayton, of Philadelphia, President of the A. N. A. responded in behalf of the Association.

The Convention was so extensive with its four joint meetings in which the three Great National Organizations participated and the innumerable sections and committee meetings which kept one hurrying from one building to another in order to hear papers on the subjects of special interest to one's association that I shall not attempt to go into detail about the many very fine papers. As many of them will appear in the Nursing Journals, I shall only speak of those points which I think are interesting to our group at the present time. Also of any action that was taken on **vital** questions.

Prominent speakers present were, Dr. Charles Hubbard Judd, Head of School of Education, University of Chicago; Dr. Hugh Cabot, Dean of Medical School, University of Michigan; Dr. C. E. A. Winslow, Professor Public Health, School of Medicine, Yale University; Dr. May Ayres Burgess, Director of the Grading Plan, and Dr. Nathan B. Van Ettan, whose name is familiar to us all through his connection with the Webb-Lattin Amendment.

One item of interest to **us** was brought out by Blanche Pfefferkorn, Ex. Secretary of the League of Nursing Education, in a paper which purported to be an Historical Review of that body. The League had its beginning in a meeting of Training School Superintendents called together for purpose of organization at the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893. At that **first** meeting—the first speaker was our beloved Miss Sutcliffe; although that was 35 years ago that address has much in it that still applies to nursing education conditions.

Public Health, Rural Industrial and Visiting Nursing all had important time given them, also Government, Army, Navy and Indian Service all had special sessions. But nothing particularly new or of general interest developed except that this latest branch of Government Service. Indian Nursing which comes under the Department of the Interior at Washington, D. C., wishes to increase their number by 150 nurses at once. I thought this might offer a practically verdant field to adventurous spirits.

It was delightful to meet again our beloved Miss Clara D. Noyes, who spoke at a luncheon given to the visiting nurses at Brown Hotel, by Jefferson Post, American Legion on the Florence Nightingale Memorial School, Bordeaux, France, established as a memorial in honor of nurses who died in the service and she urged support of the undertaking. She spoke again of this project at a later meeting and said donations should consist of small sums and from Soldiers, War Mothers, Citizens and Nurses. It should not depend upon the nurses alone. She also reviewed the work of the Red Cross Nurses during the

Mississippi flood and spoke at some length on the Delano Memorial, all of which no doubt will come up in your Red Cross report.

A new feature this year was the **Lay Members Section**, who took an active part in affairs for the first time.

The Male Nurses have applied for membership in the A. N. A. and will have a section when the By Laws can be amended to permit this new departure.

Co-operation, Reciprocity, Decasualization or redistribution of nursing were all **burning** questions. Group and Hourly Nursing came up for consideration.

Interstate reciprocity in the recognition of Graduate Nurses wishing to practice in other states was advocated and a National Committee was suggested to have power over such nurses,—by Miss McKee, Examiner Ohio State Board. No action taken.

A very good paper on what was called **Staff Nursing** was read by Miss Nancy Fry, University Hospital, Ann Harbor, Michigan. They employ three (3) graduates at \$90.00 and maintenance a month, each on eight hour duty, one-half day off weekly and one month's vacation annually—to care for private and semi-private cases. The unit cared for is usually (4) except in eye cases where the number is increased. The patients pay in addition to Hospital charge \$2.00 a day for Nursing Service.

Nothing definite was offered about Group Nursing.

It seems to be the general opinion that hourly nursing for patients of means can be developed under the existing V. N. A. It is under trial in Buffalo. Hourly nurses are paid \$135.00 a month, the hours not specified, their earnings go into a common fund to pay for Supervision and Administration. One very **pertinent** objection to this arrangement which was not brought out but which occurs to me is this. First, a V. N. A. is a philanthropic organization and contributions are solicited and received. Therefore, you could not run a division for the purpose of making money. The whole plan is unethical on that account. Secondly, the hourly nurse would not be receiving the salary earned, therefore she would be exploited. It seems to me we must have our wits about us at this time and do some **clear** thinking.

THE RELIEF FUND

On June 6th, The Relief Fund Problems were under consideration at the Louisville Convention with Mrs. Janet Peterson, Chairman, presiding. All Relief Fund Chairmen from State, District and Alumnae Associations being present.

The Program may be considered under three heads:

"Study of Tuberculosis among Young Women," made by Miss Jessamine Whitney, Statistician for the New York Tuberculosis Association.

"Study of Relief Fund Problems," by Mrs. Dorothy Wickman, read by Miss Janet Geister.

"Insurance for Nurses," by Miss Marguerite Wales, Director of Henry Street V. N. A.

In order to make this report intelligible to **all** it will be necessary to go back and briefly review "our beginnings." This Fund as you know originated in 1911, for the purpose of aiding in time of need, nurses who had served the sick public thru long years and who had availed themselves of participation in the affairs of their organizations, also to provide a loan Fund:

1. There was, or is no "Membership Fee," you could contribute or not, as you liked.

2. Anyone who stated they were in need and unable to work was eligible whether they had ever contributed or not.

3. There was no stated time over which relief might continue.

4. The applicant was not required to give her budget—the amount allowed was not always in proportion to needs, as the needs were not known.

5. Investigations of the applicants being a suitable case for relief were not made as no machinery exists for the making of such investigation.

6. The National Committee is very much hampered in trying to administer relief at a distance unless they have full cooperation from local committees.

7. The demands for relief have at times exceeded the income and of course it is **bad business policy** to use principal as it is our only guarantee of solvency.

8. There is no fund to cover expense of administration, although it was generally understood that this Fund was for the assistance for those who had spent years in service. No rules or laws were formulated to clearly define eligibility.

We must conclude after reviewing these facts that our organization for Relief is not founded or administered on any sound economic basis and it behooves us to change our policy and inaugurate a plan taking advantage of and profiting by the experience of other associations.

The Relief Fund Committee have felt a very serious responsibility in this matter and finally secured the services of an experienced high class Social Worker, Mrs. Wickman, who had made an intensive study of the whole situation, including studies of Industrial Benefit Associations, Expert Relief Workers and Pension and Insurance Fund schemes.

Miss Wales, General Director of the Henry Street Visiting Nurses Association, advised putting old age pensions, disability and relief on a sound basis by adoption of some form of Insurance as has been done in Great Britain. She recommended a thorough study from the Insurance standpoint.

The incidence of Tuberculosis in young nurses and recent Graduates, is alarming.

In 50.2% benefited there has been less than 5 years between beginning of illness and graduation.

In 22.2% benefited there has been less than two years.

53.39% of number benefited are 35 years or younger.

48.39% of number benefited have tuberculosis.

41.9% of all active cases benefited are tubercular under 35 years.

Time cared for by Relief Fund.

Three quarters number one year or less; one-eighth, three years or more; nine years maximum time cared for.

It was recommended that these facts regarding the early incidents of Tuberculosis in young nurses should be taken up with **Training Schools and Hospitals** and their cooperation requested. More frequent examinations, rest periods and special dietary care in cases of malnutrition or underweight.

The problems that were **emphasized** at Louisville, were the problem of

(a) Improved Administration.

(b) Closer cooperation by local committees and appointing where possible nurses who have had some **sound Social Service training** on these committees.

(c) Eligibility, Investigation, Fees or Contributions—What changes should be made? Should we consider Insurance in some form?

All these points should be carefully considered and thoroughly discussed by each local association as it is a self evident fact that we cannot long survive if we continue to pursue our present Altruistic Plan.

The Grading Committee and the first installment of its work "Nurses, Patients and Pocketbooks," Dr. May Ayres Burgess.

"The nursing profession will double in size within the next seventeen years unless conditions change and there is no evidence that the public wants that many nurses," Dr. Burgess said. There are 2,286 nursing schools conducted by hospitals in the United States, and the number is increasing rapidly. More than 20,000 nurses are being graduated this year. Hospitals, relying largely on student service are unable to employ their own graduates, and other opportunities for nursing service are not increasing as rapidly as new nurses are being admitted to the profession. Over production is even now resulting in unemployment."

Growing Fast

These facts were quoted by Dr. Burgess from the report published this week by the Committee on the Grading of Nursing Schools, giving the results of an eighteen-months nationwide survey of economic conditions in nursing. The report is based on 34,000 returns from nurses, 28,000 returns from physicians, 3,400 from hospitals, and 3,200 returns from patients and other sources. It is published as a 600-page volume under the title "Nurses, Patients and Pocketbooks."

"In 1900, there was one nurse for every ten doctors," Dr. Burgess said. "Now in 1928, there are fifteen nurses for every

ten doctors." By 1965, thirty-seven years from now, if present trends continue, there will be forty-four nurses for every ten doctors. Can physicians treble their use of special nurses and persuade their patients to pay the cost?

"Nursing is growing faster than the population. In 1900, there were sixteen graduate nurses for every 100,000 people. Now, there are 166. By 1965, if the rate continues, there will be nearly 440.

"Two years ago I had the honor of appearing before you as the newly appointed director for the Committee on the Grading of Nursing Schools. Tonight I have come back to deliver into your hands this book which contains the results of the study of supply and demand in nursing service upon which we have been working since that time.

Cost About \$35,000

"The study is now completed. It has been difficult to make, and it has cost a great deal of money. If we include all the cost of printing, tabulating, postage, salaries and other items which have gone directly into making of "Nurses, Patients and Pocket-books" (excluding the other projects upon which the committees has been active) the total cost of this book is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$35,000. A large part of that money has come from nurses. I am here to-night to bring the finished work to you; to ask you whether you feel that the money has been wisely spent; whether you are pleased with what you have bought; and what you are going to do with it." The findings of the Grading Committee would seem to lead to four suggestions, Dr. Burgess, said.

First—Reduce and improve the supply. Make a decisive and immediate reduction in the number of nursing students in the United States; and raise entrance requirements high enough so that only properly qualified women will be admitted to the profession.

Second—Replace students with graduates. Put the major part of hospital beside nursing in the hands of graduate nurses and take it out of the hands of the student nurses.

Third—Help hospitals meet cost of graduate service. Assist hospitals in securing funds for the employment of graduate nurses.

Fourth—Get public support for nursing education. Place schools of nursing under the direction of **nurse educators** instead of **hospital administrators**; and waken the public to the fact that if society wants good nursing it must pay the cost of educating nurses. Nursing education is a public and not a private responsibility.

Co-operative Organization

The Committee on the Grading of Nursing Schools is a co-operative, National Organization, officially sponsored by the

American Medical Association, the American College of Surgeons, the American Hospital Association, the National League of Nursing Education, the National Organization of Public Health Nursing and the American Public Health Association. The chairman of the committee is William Darrach, M.D., dean of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University; the twenty-one members consisting of nurses, physicians, hospital and public health administrators, educators and laymen of National prominence.

At its recent meeting when publication of the full report was authorized the committee went on record as follows:

No hospital should be expected to bear the cost of nursing education out of funds collected for the care of the sick. The education of nurses is as much a public responsibility as is the education of physicians, public school teachers, librarians, ministers, lawyers and other students planning to engage in professional service, and the cost of such education should come, not out of the hospital budget, but from private or public funds.

The fact that a hospital is faced with serious financial difficulties whether or not it will conduct a school of nursing. The need of a hospital for cheap labor should not be considered a legitimate argument for maintaining such a school. The decision as to whether or not a school of nursing should be conducted in co-operation with a given hospital should be based solely upon the kind and amounts of educational experience which the hospital is prepared to offer.

Dr. Nathan B. Van Etten, New York representative of the American Medical Association, as a member of the committee spoke at the joint meeting on "The Grading Programme from the Medical Viewpoint."

Reduction of the number of nursing schools and higher standards of education and training were advocated by Dr. Van Etten, as a means of relief "for the present intolerable conditions in the nursing profession." A two year training course following a four year high school course was suggested as the minimum for the title of registered nurse. Three years for public health work and four for the operating room were included in Dr. Van Etten's suggested training.

The Official Registrar of District 14, Brooklyn, Miss Emma L. Collins, had a paper on Registries in which she stated that up to fifteen years ago, nurses worked up practice through physicians. This paper was misleading. New York Hospital had its own Registry and Club independent of the hospital, thirty years ago. Bridgeport Hospital, twenty eight years ago; Long Island and Brooklyn Hospitals, about twenty five years ago. No doubt there are many others, but, I know about those as in every instance a New York Hospital Graduate furnished the inspiration which blazed the trail.. There was some discussion of this paper and it developed that the writer **did not know she was** running a Commercial Registry.

Legislation occupied the morning session, on Thursday, interesting to me for two reasons, as I met a classmate there, Miss Anna A. Williamson, President, California State Association, whom I had not seen for eighteen years—And on account of our present legislative work in regard to the **Webb-Lattin Bill**. Miss Williamson and Miss Swope, had splendid papers on their difficulties. They are being opposed by the Commercial Agencies of California, and assisted by the Commission of Labor. They have had to appear in court several times and we were warned that this trouble would spread to every State in the Union. They believe that it should be the business of the A. N. A. to assist them. Miss Williamson further advised that non-profit registries be called "SERVICE BUREAUS," as in contradistinction to Commercial Registries.

The Webb-Lattin Bill. With regard to the Webb-Lattin Bill, we had representatives present from New York, St. Luke's, Presbyterian, Post Graduate and some Brooklyn Hospitals. We had interviews with the officers of the A. N. A. and one session of three hours with the State President.

We have been promised a **meeting** by the State Officers.

The A. N. A., have asked us to formulate our objections to the Webb-Lattin Bill and also to formulate an amendment which we are to present at the State Meeting in October.

We also had an interview with Dr. Van Etten, at which he promised us his support.

A paper on the Webb-Lattin amendment, by Caroline Garnsey, was on the program for Thursday. On Wednesday, we are told as the matter was a State and not a National affair; there would be no time for discussion. We insisted if the paper was **read** we would **discuss** it. We went to the meeting not knowing; but the paper was withdrawn. Our difficulties differ from the other States, inasmuch as they are fighting the Commercial Registries and we are fighting our own officers that we have elected and trusted **not to think for us but to act** for us in accordance with the wish of the majority.

I would like to say that Mrs. Hansen, who was on the committee that supported the Webb-Lattin Bill, said that the sentence exempting us from its provisions was taken out without her knowledge.

We worked very hard early and late trying to see people between meetings but we feel we have accomplished something and that the best women in the A. N. A., are in agreement with us as to the necessity of an amendment.

In a final summing up of the whole Convention, I think those present would agree that there was **too much of it**. A great array of papers, much over lapping and repetition and **too little spirited discussion**. I have always enjoyed and gained more at a convention thru the discussions than thru the original paper. However, I thoroughly enjoyed it and thank you for the privilege of being your representative.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET L. ROGERS.

STATEMENT ON PROVISIONS OF WEBB-LATTIN BILL OF MARCH, 1927

1. We believe that the Webb-Lattin Bill is unconstitutional, because it nullifies an existing satisfactory law under which we (The duly incorporated Nurse Training School Alumnae Registries) have been operating some eighteen years.

2. Under such operation no new evils or abuses have appeared to warrant such law and many old evils have disappeared.

3. This law is contradictory in its effect and in direct conflict with the purpose of the "Nurse Practice Act."—which requires our individual registration under the Regents of the University of the State of New York, thus recognizing us as in the educational group, because in Article 2, Section 170—it discriminates against us by removing us from the educational group, which is exempt from the Provisions of the Employment Agency Law and with which we **were** grouped and enjoyed exemption until March 1927.

4. Our incorporated Nurse Training School Alumnae Registries have heretofore been operating on a non-profit making basis and have existed for service only—Service to the sick public, to the doctor and to the nurse. These Registries have maintained high standards and represented the flower of the profession.

This law places them in the Commercial Registry Class and we believe will lower their ethical standards.

5. As a nurse's work is made up of short engagements, the average illness not requiring a nurse's service for more than three to four weeks. She can be taxed ten per cent of her income under the provisions of this law, which is exploitation.

6. We believe it is absolutely impossible for any registrar to comply with Article 2, Section 190, of this law; which requires investigation of the character of an employer before sending out a female employee. A nurse's work is almost always emergent, as she deals with an abnormal condition her response to a call must be immediate and leave no time for investigation.

The Law works a great hardship on the sick public as well as upon the doctor and the nurse and we hope for a speedy release—as even the delay entailed by waiting for an amendment is resulting in evils it will be hard to eradicate.

HOSPITALS IN NEW YORK opposed to this law: New York Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital, Presbyterian Hospital, Bellevue Hospital, City Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital, Post Graduate Hospital, Roosevelt Hospital, Fifth Avenue Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital Brooklyn N. Y., Long Island College Hospital, Methodist Episcopal, Brooklyn.

SPREAD HOSPITAL SITE

Realty Bought for New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center

The Bard-Hosack Realty Corporation, which holds title to several properties incorporated in the site of the proposed New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, on Sixty-eight to Seventieth Street and the East River, has acquired another parcel at that point.

The acquisition was made from William Lowe, and involves the garage property at 523-537 East Seventieth Street, at the northwest corner of Exterior Street. The realty fronts 100.9 feet on Exterior Street and 215.6 feet on Seventieth Street. The hospital interests now hold title to most of the northerly block on Seventieth Street, between Avenue A, and Exterior Street.—Evening Sun.

PERSONALS

Miss Vandewerker, Class 1926, has accepted a position at the Blythedale Home, Valhalla, N. Y.

Miss Mary E. Hutchinson has been appointed Superintendent of Wave Crest Convalescent Home, Far Rockaway, N. Y.

At the October meeting we hope to have a speaker from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. who will explain the Harmon Pension Fund for Nurses and also a report from Miss Sutcliffe.

Miss Annie Slack, Class 1914, has returned from Venezuela, S. A.

Miss Curley, Class 1916, has returned to private duty after an absence of many years.

Mrs. Burritt Iler, nee Margaret S. Jewett, Class 1912, passed through New York early in June with her husband and son from St. Petersburg, Fla., to Bellville, Canada. They were making the trip by automobile.

Mrs. A. N. Landes, nee Lillian M. H. Weinstein, Class 1916, expects to leave very soon and join her husband in Venezuela, S. A.

Miss M. J. McCabe departed in May for the Canadian Northwest, her destination being Edmonton, Alberta. We sincerely wish her an enjoyable summer.

Miss Seely is planning a trip to Europe this summer.

Miss Edith J. Weaver sailed on the 26th of May with a patient for Spain where they expect to spend the greater part of the summer.

Miss Conway went from Florida to St. Louis, Mo., with her patient and while in St. Louis met "Lindy".

Miss James left for Bermuda very unexpectedly because of her sister's illness.

Miss Florence M. Johnson, R.N., Director, Nursing Service, American Red Cross, New York County Chapter, gave an address at the Commencement Exercises of the Mercer Hospital, Trenton, N. J., May 22, 1928.

Miss Marietta Wilsey has just received the St. Salvo decoration from the Serbian government. This is the second decoration Miss Wilsey has received from Serbia for her work during the war.

Owing to illness in her family, Miss Dinehart was obliged to return to her home at Niagara Falls for all summer.

Miss Elizabeth Price and Miss Marian Wilson have gone to Southampton, L. I., to take charge of the Southampton Fresh Air Home for Crippled Children for the summer.

Miss Sutcliffe left the Club the latter part of May for her home at Mountainville, Orange Co., N. Y.

Miss Lavinia Wood has left the Club for the summer months and Miss Muirhead has taken charge of the Registry.

Miss Etta Crane is spending part of July and August in Newfoundland and will resume her position at the Royal Indemnity Insurance Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Daum, nee Helen Seymour, have taken an apartment in Mt. Vernon.

Misses A. and I. Wallace took a motor trip to Washington and Virginia for about six days.

Miss Phyllis Potter, Class, 1925, has announced her engagement to be married in the near future.

Miss Carpenter relieved Miss Forty for six weeks at Staatsburg in May and June.

Miss Boroughs is planning a trip abroad this summer.

Miss Gillatt is going to Vermont with her patient from about the middle of June to the first of October.

Miss Claire O'Brien was ill at the Club with bronchitis in June.

Miss Bryan was in a taxi accident and is now recovering from a fracture.

Miss Shultz has just returned from a two months' trip to Egypt, Palestine, Syria and Italy. She was able to visit many of the old tombs in Egypt before they were closed to the public. She was fortunate enough to see "Tut's" tomb.

Miss Buchan is sailing for Italy and Switzerland where she plans to spend about three months.

Miss Ferguson sailed in May with a patient and expects to spend the entire summer abroad.

Miss Dewar is sailing the latter part of June to Scotland for two months.

The wedding of Miss Grace E. Lawrence, '20, and Mr. Wallace MacC. Rainey, took place June 27th in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. After a short motor trip they will be at home at Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Homer R. Collins, nee Martha D. Munn, '89, was operated upon at the N. Y. H. early in June and is recuperating at her home in Talcottville, N. Y.

Miss Charlotte Schneider has been ill with pneumonia at the N. Y. H. and is recuperating at home.

Miss O'Connell is relieving in the Social Service while Miss Josephi is away.

Miss Joesphi is sailing in July to spend two months in England.

Miss Rough spent the month of June at her home and Miss Whitney has taken charge of Ward E during Miss Rough's absence.

Miss Beach is to be a guest of Miss Bartlett and they are spending the months of July and August in Newfoundland.

Miss Jordan will be away for the month of July.

Miss Walton is going to Canada for the month of July and Miss Shalling will be in charge of the Out-Patient's Department during that month.

Miss DeWitt from the Public Operating Room, Miss Arthur, charge nurse of Ward M. and Miss Vaughan of Ward I are taking their vacations during the month of July.

Miss Morgan has taken a position as suture nurse in the Public Operating Room.

Miss Scheuerlein has accepted a position as suture nurse in the Private Operating Room.

Miss MacDonald has taken a position as charge nurse of Ward O.

Mrs. Abbott, nee Lina Clendening, has taken charge of Ward H.

The Hospital has received a check from the P. S. No. 3 for the endowment of the Jennie M. Whitelaw Bed in the Children's Ward. Miss Whitelaw had been a teacher in P. S. No. 3 for many years before her death. Since her death, each year in June, the Hospital receives this check in memory of Miss Whitelaw.

June fourth and fifth a Dress Show was held at the Hospital under the auspices of the Student Nurses and 10 per cent of the sales went toward the Nurses' Relief Fund. About \$40.00 was made on the sales.

Miss Gladys Potter has taken a position with the Social Service.

Miss Mabel Starr is in the Asthma Clinic of the Out Patients' Department.

MARRIAGES

Helen A. Bronson, Class '15, to Mr. William Lewis Ward, on May 16, 1928, at Seymour, Conn.

Florence A. Mosher, Class '08, to Mr. Ira L. NeSmith, on May 5, 1928, at Palm Beach, Fla.

Doris Slack, Class '24, to Mr. William Malcolm Hunter, on May 25, 1928, at New York City.

Helen Muddell, Class '24, to Dr. John L. McIntosh, on April 13, 1928, at Bloomfield, N. J.

Grace E. Lawrence, '20, to Mr. Wallace MacClean Rainey, on June 27, 1928, at New York City.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers Freeman, a son, John Rogers Freeman Jr., on February 13, 1928. Mrs. Freeman was Margaret B. Perry, Class '18.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Patten, a son, Thomas Winslow Patten, on September 27, 1927, at 3327 Highland Avenue, Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Patten was Dorothy Jones, Class '21.

To Dr. and Mrs. Leo P. Drake, a son, William C., on January ? 1928. Mrs. Drake was Edith M. Cox, Class '21.

DEATHS

Mrs. E. T. Cypher, nee Emma T. Spafford, Class '85, died May 7, 1928.

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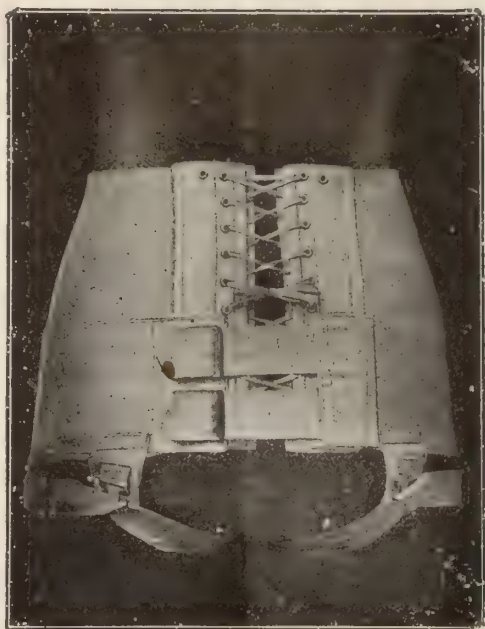
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MEETINGS

The next meeting of the New York Hospital Alumni Association will be held on Thursday evening, October 11th, at 8 p. m., at the Club House.

The New York County Association, District No. 13, held a meeting the first Tuesday in October at the Central Club, New York City.

The New York State Nurses Association League for Nursing Education have their annual meeting in Brooklyn, N. Y., October 23, 24, 25, 1928. Headquarters at Hotel St. George, Brooklyn.

A CARD PARTY TO ASSIST AN ENDOWMENT FUND FOR SICK NURSES

District No. 13 and the League of Nursing Education, Section 1, desires to assist in aiding the work that has been started single handed by a nurse to the profession. This nurse of the Nursing Service Staff of the New York County Chapter of the Red Cross, has been working to raise a fund to endow two or more ward rooms, at \$15,000 each, in the Medical Centre for the use of sick nurses, graduate of any school of nursing.

For the past seven winters in New York, 8,102 visits have been made in that time and 6,077 have been to nurses ill in hospitals, many of them patients in public wards without privacy. This is the situation that is met constantly by the three nurses on the Nursing Staff.

For this cause a card party, at the Waldorf-Astoria, will be held on Thursday, November 1st, 1928. Tickets, \$1.50; table, \$6.00. Miss Amy F. Patmore is the chairman. It is Miss Patmore's wish that every nurse in the vicinity will respond to this worthy cause.

OVERALLS AND UNIFORMS

Experiments with the use of overalls in lieu of dresses have been conducted at various M. A. B. hospitals since 1922. Some matrons are strongly in favour of the innovation, which possesses the advantage of economy, whilst others are equally opposed. The matter was thoroughly enquired into recently by the lady members of the General Purposes Committee when the issues of personal uniform to kitchen superintendents were prescribed; and, following the precedent then set the Committee has recommended to allow the issue of overalls (with detachable buttons with shanks) as articles of personal uniform to nurses—not exceeding 12 overalls, to be made of stout white drill, half-bleached apron linen or other similar material and to be fitted with stripes,

chevrons and other rank-distinguishing badges, as in the case dresses, aprons (except aprons provided for general use), belts, cuffs, collars, and half-sleeves.—ENGLISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

WILLIAM E. HARMON

On July 15, at Southport, Connecticut, occurred the death of William E. Harmon. The loss of this wonderful personality will be keenly felt in the nursing profession. It was through his ill health that Mr. Harmon realized the problems that the average nurse was up against as age advanced.

Mr. Harmon gave a great deal of his time in the late years with the problems of promoting retirement annuities for nurses and it was towards this that the Harmon Foundation for the Advancement of Nursing was first organized.

THE HARMON ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF NURSING, INC.

A little more than two years ago a number of the nursing profession raised the question "if college teachers and professors find income annuities on a group basis the most advantageous and sound means of protection for old age under the system of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, why could not a system be devised for the nursing profession." The question was referred to the Division of Social Research and Experimentation of the Harmon Foundation, which includes among its philanthropic, educational and social work, a division for social research and constructive work not specifically covered by other Divisions or other Foundations. Mr. Harmon, the President of the Foundation, saw the urgent need of a systematic plan and he secured the interest of Dr. Furst of the Carnegie Foundation. Dr. Glenn of the Russell Sage Foundation and others in foundations, hospitals and nursing organizations, to help study the problem. The preliminary and organization expenses were provided for from a fund of \$50,000 advanced by the Harmon Foundation, and the Harmon Association for the Advancement of Nursing was incorporated on the 22nd of December, 1926.

The government of the Association is in the hands of a board of trustees. Among the trustees are men connected with the strongest and most successfully managed financial organizations in America, experts in both life insurance and annuities, as well as hospital and nursing organization executives and trustees and the leaders in several of the largest organizations for social service in the country. The trustees, wishing to surround the plan with the greatest safety possible, selected the largest financial institution, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, as

the first of several to be approved, to guarantee the actual payments of income to the nurses from the annuities under the plan.

The Association seeks to render two distinct services:

I. To provide, through DEFERRED GROUP SERVICE ANNUITIES, a basis upon which a hospital or other institution can cooperate with its nursing staff in a fair and a naturally sound system of retiring allowances.

II. To enable nurses, with or without the assistance of an institutional employer, to secure for themselves, according to their individual requirements and circumstances, future guaranteed monthly income, through DEFERRED GROUP INCOME ANNUITIES, upon favorable terms and in a form which can be adjusted to the institutional system, if desired.

On the following pages is an outline of the Income Annuity Plan which can be used by any individual member of the nursing profession, regardless of whether or not she is also participating in the Service Annuity Plan.

RETIREMENT INCOME ANNUITIES PLAN

INCOME ANNUITIES

Those Eligible.—All registered nurses are eligible for membership in the Harmon Association and in the Retirement Income Annuities Plan.

Membership Dues.—The annual membership dues of the Association are One Dollar. They are used to pay part of the administration expenses of the Association and to enable it to institute other activities of benefit to the nursing profession.

Monthly Deposits.—Each member who joins the Retirement Income Annuities Plan makes a deposit of at least \$5 a month. The amount of each monthly deposit may be \$10, \$15, \$20, or more (any multiple of \$5.) according to the size of the Income Annuity the individual member desires to secure. The amount of monthly payments of income from the annuities to retired members, of course, depends directly on the age of the member at the time of joining the Plan and on the size and number of her deposits.

Optional Date for Beginning Income.—Members may elect to have their Income Annuities mature and the income from them start from any age from 50 to 65. A few examples of Income Annuities are shown in the following table, based on age 60, one of the optional maturity dates. Members who elect to draw their income before age 60 will, of course, receive proportionally smaller annuities than those set forth in this table, while those who continue depositing after age 60 will receive larger annuities per deposit.

The optional maturity dates between ages 50 and 65, give the Plan the flexibility, so necessary in the nursing profession,

to take care of possible changes which an individual member may wish to make at some future time. A member does not have to decide when joining which of the maturity dates she desires.

Annuity Payments.—On the arrival of the maturity date selected by the member, the annuity will be paid to the member each month thereafter as long as she lives, even if she lives to pass a hundred years of age.

Annual guaranteed amounts of income annuities for women, payable monthly from age 60 for life.

TABLE

Age of member on Entering the Plan	Annual Income Annuity from \$5 Deposits of Members	Annual Income Annuity from \$10 Deposits of Members	Annual Income Annuity from \$15 Deposits of Members
18.....	\$525.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,575.00
19.....	497.40	994.80	1,492.20
20.....	471.60	943.20	1,414.80
21.....	446.40	892.80	1,339.20
22.....	422.40	844.80	1,267.20
23.....	399.00	798.00	1,197.00
24.....	377.40	754.80	1,132.20
25.....	356.40	712.80	1,069.20
26.....	336.00	672.00	1,008.00
27.....	316.80	633.60	950.40
28.....	298.20	596.40	894.60
29.....	280.80	561.60	842.40
30.....	264.00	528.00	792.00
31.....	247.80	495.60	743.40
32.....	232.80	465.60	698.40
33.....	217.80	435.60	653.40
34.....	204.00	408.00	612.00
35.....	190.80	381.60	572.40
36.....	177.60	355.20	532.80
37.....	165.60	331.20	496.80
38.....	154.20	308.40	462.60
39.....	142.80	285.60	428.40
40.....	132.00	264.00	396.00

The table indicates that the income paid varies in accordance with the age at entering the Plan. Since this table is based on the \$5 scale, payments of \$10 beginning at any age exactly double the Income Annuities which would be paid for that age according to the chart. Monthly deposits of \$15 would insure three times the Income Annuity shown and so on for each additional \$5 deposit. Although this table runs only to age 40, nurses beyond that age may join the Plan and receive the annuity payments according to their age at the time of entering the Plan. Figures for other ages will be gladly furnished on request.

Additional Annuities.—Surplus funds of the Association derived from the administration of this Income Annuity Plan and of gifts or Legacies which may be made to the Association for the purpose, will be used to increase further the guaranteed amounts shown in the tables through the purchase of additional annuities by the Association for the annuitants.

Flexible Deposits.—Any member may increase or decrease the size of her monthly deposits, in accordance with her own circumstances, providing that such changes are made in even multiples of \$5. The more you can deposit during your productive years, the greater your income when you retire.

If You Stop Nursing Or Your Deposits.—Should you at any time withdraw from the nursing profession, you can either withdraw all your deposits in cash, or leave them in, make no further deposits, and receive, from the maturity date, whatever annuity the deposits you have made will provide; or, you can continue your deposits and receive the same Income Annuities you would have received had you remained in the nursing profession.

Deposits Always Yours.—In case a member wishes to withdraw from membership she will receive back the amount of her deposits in full, in cash, at any time she requests it, previous to the time she begins receiving the income from her Income Annuity. A Plan including the return of deposits with interest, in case of withdrawal, and consequently smaller annuity values, is available also, if this option is preferred, at the time of joining the Association.

Payments In Case of Death.—If a member dies before she begins to receive her monthly annuity income, the total amount of her deposits will be paid to any person she may have named as her beneficiary. If any member dies after she has begun to receive her monthly annuity income, but before an amount at least equal to her total deposits has been paid to her, the balance of unpaid annuity will be paid at once in a lump sum to the beneficiary she has selected.

Future Income Guaranteed.—Through the cooperation of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, the largest in the world, the Association is able to offer its members the insurance company's absolute guarantee that all annuity income payments will be paid at their due dates and that they will never be less than the guaranteed amounts shown in the table, an important safeguard.

Monthly Income Checks.—Starting from the annuity maturity date you select, each month, year after year, as long as you live, you will receive from your annuity, direct by mail, your monthly income check.

How to Join.—Unless death intervenes, old age is inevitable. You can start today in a systematic, financially guaranteed plan, making your monthly deposits by mail, toward an Income Annuity which will begin to work for you immediately and will

furnish an income when you yourself can no longer work. It is that later time that an absolutely dependable and regular income is most needed and valued. Simply write the Harmon Association, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City, for a membership application form, fill it out (no medical examination is required) and mail the application to the Harmon Association, with the annual \$1. dues and your first monthly deposit.

CHARMING NURSES

At the first announcement that a class has been established at St. Mark's Hospital to teach nurses how to become more charming than they are seems to hint at a work of supererogation. Nearly any person whose misfortune it has been to remain for a long time a patient in a hospital will testify that although some nurses may be more attractive than others, all nurses are charming. Even that woman of firm visage and resolute eye who insists to the peevish convalescent that orders are orders and rules are rules and there positively shall be no kicking off of covers—even her efficiency is not devoid of a certain grace.

Part of the curriculum at St. Mark's has to do with instruction in proper diction. The young women are to be taught not to chop some words and not to slur others, as well as to modulate their voices to agreeable pitch. So far as the pronunciation of words is concerned, supersensitive persons will hope the instructors may not go too far, at the same time admitting that for the sake of the patient's mental serenity it is just as well that frequenters of the sick bed shall not say "noice" for "nurse" or "w'at" for "what."

Still there are extremes of studied pronunciation which can cause pain amounting almost to delirium to persons whose nerves are already jumpy. As between the honest, happy-go-lucky maiden who says "w'at" and the prim proper vestal who carefully comes to a full stop between the words of "don't you," carefully enunciating the "t" of the one and the "y" of the other it will be the purist who will tempt the average nervous man to throw a pillow.

Where a great and useful work can really be done is in teaching nurses and everybody else that a voice high, shrill, loud, squeaky, harsh or otherwise unpleasant is an affliction sent upon humanity for its carelessness. Sometimes the possession of such a voice is due to original sin and sometimes to acquired sin, but in either case it is not to be done away with except by serious devotion to earnest and intelligent efforts to remedy the facts of nature or of acquisition.

Editorial, EVENING SUN, April 21, 1928.

PERSONALS

Sympathy is extended to Miss Margaret B. Pierce in the recent death of her father, Ex-Judge Carlton Brownell Pierce, at one time a New Jersey Assemblyman, Senator and Judge.

Jessie P. Wilson, '14 sailed for England on July 20, from Canada, where she spent the summer visiting relatives and touring England.

Verna E. Smith spent the summer abroad with a patient. She writes that she has had a most interesting and enjoyable time.

The Misses E. Wilkinson, F. Buchan, G. Seely, and E. Burroughs, have been touring Europe for two months' this summer.

Miss Edith Weaver spent the summer in Spain and France with a patient. She writes that they arrived in Madrid just before Corpus-Christi Sunday. They were taken to the Palace to see the procession of the King and Queen and all the Grandees of Spain in their Court attire, march through the halls of the Palace to the Royal Chapel, it was a very interesting sight. She regrets not to have been able to attend the opening of the Bull fighting season which opened with a wonderful fight in which nine bulls and three horses were killed. Hopes to see one before leaving Spain.

Miss Dewar spent the summer at her home in Scotland.

Miss Elizabeth Long summered at Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Miss Suharoff was in California during the summer.

Miss Duncan visited friends in Canada during her vacation.

The Misses Creightons, Mrs. Avery, Mrs. Marquis, Miss McClay, Miss Nudell, and Miss McDougall spent part of the summer in Canada.

The Club House has been undergoing a water-proofing process on the outside of the building, this summer.

We are glad to welcome Miss Abbie Robinson, Miss Curly, Miss H. Wright and Miss J. Warner as leasees at the Club.

Mrs. Margaret Rogers has taken an apartment at the Astor Court.

Sympathy is extended to Miss Wilkinson in the sudden death of her brother, Dr. William Wilkinson in Edmonton. The late Dr. Wilkinson had just received an appointment as surgeon to the R. C. M. P. forces and was proceeding to Herschel Island in the Arctic when stricken.

Miss Isobel Gordon is sojourning in Hollywood, California among the palms, orange and lemon groves.

Miss Ethel Fenemore had charge of Camp Andree at Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. After closing of camp, Miss Fenemore is spending the month of September at Nova Scotia.

We extend our sympathy to Miss Pearl Gravitt upon the recent death of her mother.

Mrs. Aycrigg and Miss Marian Ferguson had a very enjoyable trip in Europe this summer.

Miss Elizabeth Alston and Miss Margery Lewis also had a very pleasant summer abroad.

Miss Sutliff spent a quiet summer at Mountainville, N. Y.

Miss Lavinia Wood, our Registrar, spent part of her vacation at Stowe House, Palisades, and the remainder in motor trips.

Miss Clara Green had a wonderful trip up the Saginaw River to Quebec.

We are all glad to learn that our Dr. Williams is making such a good recovery from his illness. We all miss his happy personality in our midst.

Miss Jouffret, took many short motor trips during the summer, also one through the White Mountains with Dr. and Mrs. Hills. Later she also spent some time in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Miss Kidney, spent her vacation at Toronto.

Miss Emmett spent her vacation at Toronto with her little baby niece while her sister was abroad.

Miss McCrae and Miss Harris, spent the month of September at Ocean Point, Maine, where Miss Sarah Gowan joined them on September 3d.

Miss Shedden and Miss Nicodemus spent their vacation at Crystal Lake. Miss Nicodemus took quite an extended trip in the West.

Miss Silva, took one of the trips to the Yellowstone Park and the Lake trips.

Mrs. Hoshking, and her sister, Miss Ada Woods, spent their vacation in New London, New Hampshire.

Miss Muirheid held nurses in reserve to send at a moment's notice to the subway accident on August 24th at the Times Square Station.

Miss Ethel Greenwood, class '09, of the Victorian Order Nursing Staff of Toronto, whose one-act play, "The Three-in-One Visit," written over a year ago to illustrate the educational value of bed-side care, has become popular through Canada. Already it has been presented in London, Hamilton, Vancouver and St. Catherine's, and will be presented at Bedford College, London, England, this summer, under the direction of Miss Browne of London, Ont., to illustrate her course of lectures for nurses.

Miss Annie Earle was in charge of Camp Sango, Casco, Me., during the summer.

Miss Helen Stearns had charge of Camp Anaway, in New Hampshire.

Miss Lucie Wygant had charge of a Camp at Nichols, Conn. Our sympathy to Miss Pearl Grant, upon the death of her mother.

Miss Mabel Starr, spent a few days at Yarmouth, N. S., and brought back some beautiful hooked rugs.

Miss Barbee spent the month of August at her home in Pennsylvania and at Asbury Park, N. J.

Miss Reutinger had Miss Nelson visiting her during her vacation, at Ocean Point, Me.

Miss Andie has come to the club to live for the winter.

Miss Kathryn Ryan is ill at St. Vincent's Hospital, New York City. Our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery.

Miss Lydia Anderson, spent two weeks at Valeria Home, Oscawanna, N. Y., in July. From there she took some motor trips. The latter part of the summer she spent at Sabasca Estates in Maine.

Miss Jane D. Coleman, has taken charge of the Delivery-rooms, both Private and Ward, at the New York Infirmary.

Miss Mary Vroom has accepted a position at the N. J. State Hospital, as House Mother and Social Director of the Nurses Home.

Miss Ibbotson sailed for the West Indies, for the month of September. We hope she was not in the Southern storm.

Miss Kribbs, writes that she has returned from California and is at her home at Hespler, Ontario, Canada.

Miss Verna Smith while in Paris, visited the American Hospital and saw Miss Wills on duty there. Miss Wills afterwards wrote Miss Smith that she was glad to see her for it reminded her of home and New York and wished to be remembered to all her New York friends.

Miss Smith also saw Miss Margery Lewis in Paris. Miss Lewis was contemplating going on to Switzerland.

When in England, Miss Smith saw Miss Sydney Proctor and reports that her health is improving slowly.

Miss Lavinia Wood and Miss Alice Richardson, spent some time in Roxbury, N. Y., with Mrs. Kilpatrick and Mrs. Lutz.

Miss Pencheon and Miss Mack have received word that a great deal of their property was destroyed during the storm at Mt. Serrat, W. I., but that their relatives were safe. Miss Pencheon has resigned her position at the Florence Crittendon Home and is returning to her home in the West Indies.

Miss M. J. McCabe, spent a very enjoyable summer at Edmonton, Jasper Park and at Victoria, Vancouver. She writes that she feels like her old self and hopes to be able to return to Private duty soon.

Miss Minnie R. A. Taylor, has announced her engagement to Mr. Alfred W. Naumann and the happy event is to take place on October 3d, 1928 at The Little-Church-Around-the-Corner at New York City.

Miss Cattalaine, returns to Ithaca, September 25th to resume her work at Cornell.

Mrs. Whitmer, nee Helen Hunt, has moved to Santa Monica, to live where her husband has accepted a position. Miss Lachatt has accompanied her on the trip.

Miss R. Lee Cromwell, went by bus to Upperville, Va., and to Gettysburg, sightseeing and visiting her friends and relatives.

Mrs. Torelli, nee Marie Bowman, class '07, has opened a shop this summer called the "Gracie Shop," at 86 East End Ave., New York City. Mrs. Torelli has very attractive antiques and

gifts of all descriptions such as candy, cards, lamps and lamp shades, utility boxes, etc. Her prices are most reasonable.

Miss Marietta Wilsey, spent the month of August with her parents at Pocono Manor, Mt. Pocono. From there she motored to Galt, Ontario, Canada, and was with Miss Richmond. While in Canada she saw Mrs. Sands. Miss Duncan and Miss Nash, motored back with her.

Miss Marie Faulkner has taken a position at the United Fruit Hospital, Preston, Cuba.

Miss Christina Dann, class '21, has announced her engagement to Dr. John Alison, Jr., and expects to be married in November.

Miss Elizabeth Price and Miss Marian Wilson, expect to return the latter part of September from Southampton, L. I., where they have had charge of the Fresh Air Home for crippled children for the summer.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Josephi returned September 5th from two months' abroad traveling in England and France.

Miss Moore spent August at her home in Brookville, Pa.

Miss Rough has resigned as charge nurse of Ward E and Miss Whitney has taken charge.

Miss O'Brien has resigned as charge nurse of the 5th and 6th floors of the P. P. B.

Miss Scheuerlein has resigned as assistant nurse in the Private Operating Room and Miss Salkowsky has taken the position.

Miss Bartlett returns October 1st, after spending three months at her home in Newfoundland.

Mrs. Morris is in charge of 3d and 4th floors in the P. P. B.

Miss Moffat is spending September at Stonnington, Conn.

Miss Snyder has been appointed charge nurse of Ward I.

Miss Anderson has taken charge of Ward L.

Miss Myers is in Ward H, while Mrs. Abbot is away.

Miss Wyatt is spending September at Greenville, N. C.

Miss Wight is spending September at Montreal.

MARRIAGES

Miss Ina Mae Stevens, Class '27, to Mr. E. William Scavo, June 2d, 1928.

Ruth E. Fowler, Class '27, to Mr. Herbert Lobo, September 17th, 1928, at New York City.

Miss Gertrude C. Edwards, Class '26, to Dr. Henry D. Niles, June 30, 1928, at Elmhurst, Long Island, N. Y.

Miss Mary Louise O'Connell, Class '26, to Mr. William J. O'Donnell, on September 1st, 1928, at New York City.

Mrs. Sarai Woodward Alexander, Class '13, to Mr. Ora A. Labadie, on July 3d, 1928, at Detroit, Mich.

Miss Natalie A. Jacobson, Class '26, to Dr. Henry Harrington, on August 2d, 1928, at New York City.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward McGillivany, a daughter, at Toronto, Canada. Mrs. McGillivany was Hilda Rutherford, Class '20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Carman Kenny, a daughter, on August 17, 1928. Mrs. Kenny was Ara Arnold, Class '20.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Sewall, a daughter, Mary Angela, on September 5, 1928. Mrs. Sewell was Hilda Gaunt, Class '22.

To Dr. and Mrs. L. B. Kingery, a son. Mrs. Kingery was Margaret Reynolds, Class '20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beierle, a son, John David, on July 2, 1928. Mrs. Beierle was Edith Jones, Class '20.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. Price, a son, Harry, in May, 1928. Mrs. Price was Mabel Miller, Class '25.

DEATHS

Miss Margaret Louise Wilson, died at St. Catherines, Ont., on July 23, 1928. Miss Wilson graduated in 1922.

Dr. Florence Leigh-Jones, Class '82, died suddenly, September 6, 1928, at New York City.

Miss Beatrice Swann, Class '10, died very suddenly, on September 5th, 1928, at Toronto.

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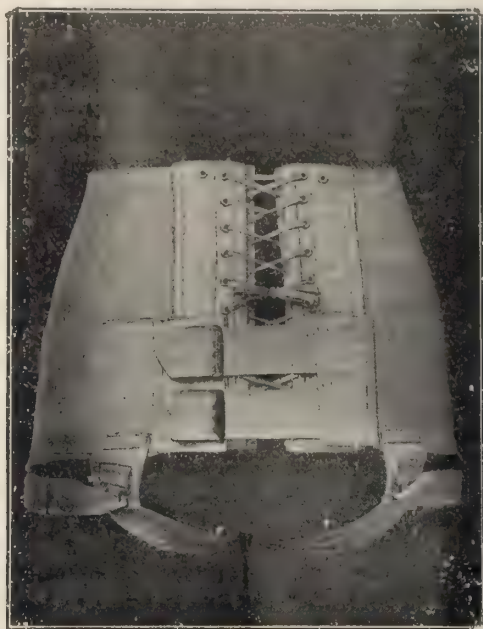
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NOTICES

The next meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held on Thursday evening, January 10th, 1929, at 8 p. m. at the Club House. The election of new officers will take place at this meeting and all are especially requested to attend that possibly can attend. Those unable to attend will please use the ballot attached to this issue as directed.

The New York County Association, District No. 13, at their last meeting proposed to hold their annual meeting in January instead of March and their regular meetings the third Tuesday of the month instead of the first Tuesday in September, November, January and March.

The Annual Club Tea will be held at the Club House on January 3rd. The hostesses will be Mrs. Multer and Miss Riddell.

The nurses are invited to bring their friends.

ALUMNAE MEETING — OCTOBER 11th, 1928

The October meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at the Club House, Miss Beard presided.

The Treasurer read the reports of the Association which were accepted as read.

The Recording Secretary's and Financial Reports read and accepted. Also the Sick Fund Report. In the absence of Miss Price, her report of the Trustees Meetings for September and October will be read at the November Alumnae Meeting.

A letter was read from Mrs. Williams thanking the Alumnae Association for the flowers sent Dr. Williams, who is ill in the New York Hospital.

Miss Jordan moved that a letter of sympathy be sent to the family of Miss Naomi Chalmers, Class of 1925, who passed away.

Miss Holland made a motion that \$50. be sent the American Red Cross for people suffering in Porto Rico from the recent hurricane. Miss Jordan seconded it. Miss Wood, speaking for Miss Sutcliffe, spoke of her wish to give help to Miss Pencheon in her work for those suffering from the hurricane in Montserrat. It was decided after discussion, this was not possible through the Alumnae Association, but a private fund could be collected through the office to use as Miss Pencheon thought fit.

Miss Benz told us of the beds for nurses to be endowed at Medical Center.

And a letter was read from Mrs. Nuttal, speaking of the inability of her sister, Miss Philo Larned to take any active interest in the Alumnae Association. It was moved by Miss Jouffret and seconded by Miss Anderson that Miss Larned be made a life member of the Association. Approved and Accepted.

Miss Anderson moved that on payment of dues the following new members be accepted in the Association: Misses Grace Freygang, Gertrude Meier, Arline Dodson, Dorothy Carstone, Ann Anderson, Agnes R. Salkowsky, Elizabeth Read, Gertrude Myers, Jeannette F. Robert, Katherine Mullens and Marie O'Nora.

Report of Mrs. Rogers and notes of Miss Beard are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNA C. SMITH, Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF MRS. ROGERS—OCTOBER 11th, 1928.

Madame Chariman and Members:

Owing to vacations taking members out of town there were no Committee Meetings during the summer. A request came from Miss Farley that we embody a request for discussion in a letter to District 13, in order to get the question of a Webb-Lattin amendment before the State Meeting in October. This was done, the letter being signed by the Superintendents of Training Schools and by members of Webb-Lattin Amendment Committee, who represented their respective Alumnae Associations. The County Meeting was well attended. The discussion was opened by your Chairman at Miss Farley's request. The explanation of the bill was very satisfactory, but the discussion was rather one-sided as there was no one there who really upheld the Bill. At this meeting Mount Sinai and St. Vincent's Associations, although not functioning under this bill have come out for the Amendment. Since that meeting, Roosevelt and two Brooklyn Hospitals have come over. We are feeling now that the nurses are becoming informed and we are sure of their support.

M. L. ROGERS, Chairman of Webb-Lattin
Amendment Committee.

NOTES USED BY MISS BEARD AT THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION MEETING IN OCTOBER

(a) The board of Directors has been considering the outstanding responsibilities of the Alumnae Association for the coming winter. First, perhaps, in importance, as to its permanent and far reaching effect, is a committee, the function of which would be to study and make periodic reports at the Alumnae Meetings of the New York Hospital School of Nursing in the relation to the development of the N. Y. Hospital-Cornell Medical Unit. The Directors believe that it will probably be wise to appoint a committee of the New York Hospital nurses engaged in School of Nursing work to study this matter and report from time to time to the Alumnae Association through the winter.

(b) A committee to study ways and means of building a new Club House at the site of the new hospital on Avenue A, is already in existence. Of this Committee Miss Anna Duncan is Chairman. This Committee should, I believe, be active during the winter.

(c) The program for the coming winter Alumnae Association Meetings might include the following subjects:

1. A report from the Officers of the Harmon Foundation for Nurses. It is thought that it would be well when this subject is presented to try to secure the presence of one or more of those nurses as representatives of the American Nurses Association have made a close study of the Harmon Foundation in its practical application to the needs of graduate nurses.

2. A report of the work of the grading committee with its graphs and statistical charts. The Directors believe that it would be well to have a full discussion of the work of the grading committee so far.

(d) It is proposed that Dean Goodrich should be invited to come to one of our Alumnae Meetings, preferably the one in March when young graduates are present, and that she present to us at that time the plan and method on which Yale School of Nursing operates. There are some very interesting charts showing the Yale School Organization and it is suggested that Miss Goodrich might like to bring another member of the faculty or possibly two, in order that they may describe the certain features of the school.

The President pointed out that it is probable that many members of the Alumnae Association know little of the Yale School, although Miss Goodrich is so much one of us. The Rockefeller Foundation has recently invited 24 schools of nursing, carefully selected throughout the United States and Canada to send a representative teacher from the faculty of their schools to visit and study the Yale School of Nursing and certain other nursing centers in the United States. The whole term of these visits for study and observation will be 12 weeks. Our own school at the New York Hospital has accepted one of these invitations and Miss Moore has been appointed by the hospital to be its representative in this plan. She will begin her experience on the 21st of February.

(e) There should be during the winter, development of a committee connected with our nurses' registry.

(f) It is necessary to appoint a committee on the revision of our by-laws so that they may be brought up to date and made to conform with the by-laws of the county and state nurses associations. Such a committee, if appointed soon, could report at the time of the annual meeting in January when it would be legal to change the by-laws. In this way we could avoid the expense and trouble of a special meeting.

LETTER TO THE ALUMNAE NEWS REPORTING ON MEETINGS TO THE STATE NURSES ASSOCIATION

October 23, 24 and 25

In order to ensure a large representation of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association at the New York State Nurses Association annual meetings in Brooklyn, the full quota of delegates, one for every ten members of the Association, was appointed and furthermore, the President was appointed to represent the Alumnae Association as its "official delegate."

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the State Nurses Association was called at 10:30 A. M. on the morning of October 22nd, for the purpose of considering the amendment to the Webb-Lattin Bill. To this meeting, several interested members of the State Nurses Association were invited. It was a

large meeting and there was free discussion. Mrs. Margaret L. Rogers, Chairman of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association Committee on the Webb-Lattin Bill has, as members of the Alumnae Association know, been working hard and has been largely instrumental in bringing about, within the New York State Nurses Association, serious consideration of the difficulties with which four of the large nurses registries in New York City are having to contend through the functioning of this bill.

It was clear at the special meeting referred to above, that there is great discontent with the working out of the Webb-Lattin amendment in relation to the registries connected with St. Luke's Hospital, the New York Hospital, Bellevue and Roosevelt. On the other hand, it was evident that, in the majority of the other cities throughout the State, enforcement of the Webb-Lattin amendment does not work a hardship, but on the contrary is already a great help in the control of commercial nurses' registries. It appeared that in cities other than New York City even although the inspection of nurses' registries comes under the State Employment Bureau it is not in any way injurious to the official registries.

As a result of this special meeting a State Committee was created to study and recommend the best means of amending the bill. Mrs. Anne Hansen was appointed chairman of this committee. Mrs. Hansen, to most of the nurses a most acceptable choice as chairman of this committee, had been chairman of the Legislative Committee of the New York State Nurses Association at the time the bill was amended.

Some points of interest to all members of the New York Hospital Alumnae Association in connection with the nurses' registries in New York State may be set down here.

1. There has for many years been a law in New York providing that any person sending out nurses to practice must have a license issued by the State Board of Licensure.

2. The Central Registry in New York has always been obliged to operate under this law.

3. About two years ago when the so-called Lattin bill went into effect some one at the last moment deleted a clause making an exception for nurses' registries which were maintained by alumnae associations. Miss Elizabeth Burgess, who is now President of the National League of Nursing Education, was at that time President of the State Nurses Association. Neither she nor Mrs. Hansen had any knowledge whatever that this clause had been deleted at the last moment.

4. Furthermore, the New York State Nurses Association had consistently approved having commercial and official registries send out all professional information necessary in regard to nurses on their lists, and

5. The New York State Nurses Association had also approved a clause in the bill which permits the State Department of Education to go over any books in any registry to see that the nurses registered there are actually what they pretend to be.

Since there seems to be unanimity of opinion that the deleted clause must be put back into the Webb-Lattin bill we can now hope that no time will be lost by the Special Committee of the State to take the necessary measures to bring this about.

It is, of course, quite impossible for any one delegate to attend all the important meetings of the State Nurses Association. Two or three stand out as having been thoroughly interesting and worthwhile.

On October 23rd, I attended the meeting which dealt with the findings of the Grading Committee. Miss Carrie Hall, Director of the School of Nursing at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston, read an excellent paper. Miss Hall is a member of the Grading Committee and thoroughly familiar with its findings. She sees a long hard pull ahead, before the practice of nursing will be reorganized in such a way as to bring about proper conditions for nurses. She believes, however, that it is possible to do certain things immediately. She thinks that all training schools could immediately raise their educational standards for admission. She thinks that it is possible to demand not only that all girls entering our schools of nursing shall be high school graduates, but that they shall have a rating of 75% or 80% as high school graduates.

After Miss Hall's paper, May Ayers Burgess, Ph. D., Director of the Committee on the Grading of Nursing Schools, reported, showing five of the most recent charts of the Grading Committee. The first of these dealt with the comparison of development of nursing schools with that of medical schools. The second showed the contrast between the number of nurses graduating from nursing schools and the number of doctors graduating from medical schools. In 1928, there will be 20,000 new graduate nurses in the United States. The third chart showed the percentage of nurses who are high school graduates compared with the percentage of all girls in the United States who graduate from high school. This chart shows that in recent years there has been a very rapid increase in the proportion of all girls in the United States who graduate from high schools and in contrast to this is shows how slowly schools of nursing are demanding this type of preliminary education. In other words, girls who do not graduate from the high school today are for the most part failures and are not acceptable, for instance, in department stores or in stenographic positions of any standing, but these girls are being taken into so-called schools of nursing and are doing the manual nursing work of the hospitals to which these schools are attached. It is they who swell the large numbers of incompetents who cannot find employment after graduation but who make the supply so far exceed the demand for nursing service. Dr. Burgess referred to the findings of the Grading Committee which show that for every vacancy in public health nursing positions there are five registered nurses who apply, but that the **quality** of these registered nurses is such that the position remains unfilled. A fourth

chart showed that out of six recent graduates from schools of nursing, one-half had dropped out of high school before completion. The eastern states are much the worse offenders in this. A fifth chart showed the number of registered nurses per population. Out of every 590 persons in the United States one is a registered nurse.

Such papers as these two make us think seriously of ways in which it may be possible to improve the quality of nurses' registries.

On the evening of October 23rd, we listened to an excellent paper by Dr. Joseph Doane, who for many years has been Superintendent of the Philadelphia General Hospital and who, with Miss Lillian Clayton, has done so much to improve the school of nursing connected with that very large General Hospital. Unless one has been brought close to the nursing situation in a large municipal hospital it is hard to realize the many difficulties which beset the path of those who are responsible for the care of the patients in a municipal institution subject to political changes.

REPORT ON WEBB-LATTIN BILL "STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION MEETING"

As Read at Alumnae Association Meeting, November 8, 1928

The Committee working to amend the Webb-Lattin Amendment to the Employment Agency Law were invited to go before National, State, District and Alumni Officers on October 22nd, Leverich Towers, Brooklyn. The discussion was opened by Mrs. Rogers of N. Y. H., who outlined our objections from the legal, professional and discriminatory standpoint. Miss McMillan of St. Luke's continued the discussion from the standpoint of the Registry, its Patrons and the Public. Miss Rutledge concluded the discussion by speaking for the Private Duty or Bedside Nurse:—the indignities and injustices of her position under this Law in New York City. As at the District 13 meeting, this was a one-sided discussion. The only statements made in favor of the bill was, that **it** was intended for the **protection** of the nurse and that it was working very well in Buffalo and upstate. Miss Sincebox, Registrar of Buffalo, stated it was working very well in their Registry operating under Webb-Lattin arrangements. Questions, however, brought out the fact their registrants were almost entirely graduates of Buffalo General and the whole number using the Registry would amount to about one third of the number of any private Alumnae Registry in New York.

This meeting closed after the various members conceding that we had grounds for objection and that New York City offered a complex situation not to be met with in other parts of the State. Asked us to meet the Advisory Council on Wednesday, October 24th, and implied that some **action** would be taken.

On Wednesday, when we came before the Advisory Council, we found that we had again to present our case (this is the third time) and then in a short speech, Mrs. Hanson said, the State Medical Association were responsible for the bill. She had known nothing about New York City's objections to the bill until recently. She had heard gossip, of course, but until we had presented the matter at Louisville, she had really **known** nothing of it. She said the matter, she thought could be settled in conference. We explained that we had brought the matter to the attention of the Legislative Committee of District 13, to the Associated Registry Committee, later to District 13; then as we had received scant courtesy we had been forced to go to the State and National before securing a hearing. As **no committee** was appointed at this meeting and no promise of one, we were very much disheartened. We discussed the matter pro and con and decided to make **one** more effort to have a committee appointed and ask for some public statement regarding the Webb-Lattin Amendment before the Convention closed. Failing in this, we would have to consider securing our amendment through other channels.

We brought our discussion to the attention of the officers and they promised to appoint said committee at Business Meeting. We waited until 6:30 on October 25th, when they sent us the following message: A Committee was appointed to find out **why** the Webb-Lattin Bill is unworkable and to present some constructive plan to the State Medical Association and State Legislative Committee at a joint meeting sometime in November. The committee consists of six members and are as follows:

Mrs. Anna Hanson, President, N. O. P. H. N., Buffalo, N. Y., Chairman.

Miss Helen Young, Superintendent, Presbyterian Hospital, New York City.

Mrs. Genevieve Clifford, President, State Association, City Hospital, Syracuse, N. Y.

Miss Frederika Farley, President, District 13, 598 Madison Avenue, New York City.

Mrs. Marion Sheahan, Vice President, New York State Dept. of Health, Albany, N. Y.

Mrs. Ethel G. Prince, Brooklyn, N. Y.

A letter will be sent to each Alumni Association of the four protesting groups, Bellevue, New York, St. Luke's and Post Graduate, asking them to send their representative to the meeting in November and be prepared to present **their case**.

Verified by, T. Rutledge, November 12th, 1928, representing Bellevue Hospital Alumnae and C. B. McMillan, St. Luke's Alumnae, November 16th, 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET L. ROGERS,

Chairman on Committee working for Webb-Lattin Amendment.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE WORKING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE WEBB-LATTIN AMENDMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AGENCY LAW

The year of 1928 is drawing to a close and your representative on the committee working for an amendment to the Webb-Lattin Amendment of the Employment Agency Law, takes great pleasure in reporting that after eleven months of concentrated effort on the part of four Alumnae Associations, the first step has been accomplished. The New York State Association and District 13, are at last with us and an Amendment has been formulated, agreed upon and will be placed before the New York State Medical Association at an early date with the request that it be placed before the Legislature for action as early as possible in the New Year.

I cannot speak too highly of my associates on this committee: Miss McMillan, (St. Luke's), Miss Patmore, (Post Graduate), and Miss Rutledge (Bellevue). We have stood together through some trying times—stood as one individual and I feel sure that although we have some difficulties before us that with such unity of strength and purpose we are bound to succeed.

The next step before us is to secure **strong political support**. As we have been through that many times before, we do not despair of securing proper support from both parties.

The following report will give you the names of the Committee present October 24th, and will also give you the proposed amendment.

At a meeting of the committee for consideration of the Webb-Lattin Amendment, held at headquarters office, 2 P. M., on November 24th, the following were present: Mrs. Hansen, Chairman; Mrs. Clifford, Miss Gilman, Miss Sheahan, Miss Farley, Miss Patmore, Miss Rutledge, Mrs. Rogers and Miss MacMillan.

Motion was made by Miss Patmore, seconded by Mrs. Rogers and carried that: The President of the N. Y. S. N. A., be requested to forward as soon as possible the following letter to the President of the Medical Society of the State of New York and that copies be mailed to the Presidents of the following alumnae associations: New York Hospital, St. Luke's, New York Post Graduate and Bellevue, also the President of District No. 13 and the chairman of the New York State Nurses' Association: That the chairman of this committee be authorized to write the President of the N. Y. S. N. A., conveying to her this motion, typing in the names of all of this committee who are present at the meeting. Unanimous vote.

To the President of the New York Medical Society:

Dear Dr. Trick:

The present wording of the Employment Agency Law is working a hardship for some groups of nurses, although it was

believed it would be entirely beneficial at the time the amendment was made on March 10, 1927. At present, registries for nurses conducted by "registered Medical institutions or duly incorporated hospitals," are exempt under the law and the New York State Nurses' Association desires to add to this list, those registries conducted by alumnae associations of registered nurse training schools.

We, therefore, petition you to arrange for Dr. Shaw, Chairman, and the Legislative Committee of the Medical Society of the State of New York to prepare to proceed to put through the Legislature of 1929 an amendment to the Employment Agency Law, Section 170, to read as follows: "This Article shall apply to all cities of the state, except that the provisions herefore relating to domestic and commercial employment agencies shall **not** apply to cities of the third class. This article does **not** apply to employment agencies which procure employment for persons as teachers exclusively, or employment for persons in technical or executive positions in recognized educational institutions; and employment bureaus conducted by registered medical institutions, or duly incorporated hospitals and **Individual Registries Conducted By Duly Incorporated Alumnae Associations of Registered Nurse Training Schools.** Nor does such article apply to departments or bureaus maintained by persons for the purpose of securing help or employees, where no fee is charged."

We beg you to understand that the matter is urgent and therefore steps to alleviate the situation should be taken immediately in order that the matter be presented as soon as possible after the 1929 Legislative Bodies of the State convene.

Thanking you for your interest and courtesy, I remain,

Very truly yours,

GENEVIEVE M. CLIFFORD,
President, New York State Nurses' Ass'n.

MISS F. FARLEY
President, District No. 13.

MISS ALICE S. GILMAN
Chairman, State Legislative
Committee.

MISS C. B. McMILLAN
St. Luke's Alumnae.

MISS AMY F. PATMORE
Post Graduate Alumnae.

MRS. M. L. ROGERS
New York Hospital Alumnae.

MISS THERESA RUTLEDGE
Bellevue Alumnae.

MISS MARION SHEAHAN
N. Y. State Public Health.

MRS. ANNE L. HANSEN
Chairman of Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. ROGERS.

REPORT FOR BULLETIN

During the meeting of the State Association the Red Cross held a luncheon at the St. George Hotel. About 146 nurses attended. The room was decorated with Red Cross flags and posters and the nurses had a chance to meet many of their Red Cross friends whom they had not seen for some time.

We were fortunate in having with us Mrs. Rogers Bacon, who gave a delightful welcome to the nurses and spoke of her work with the Red Cross in France during the war. We had hoped to have Miss Fox from National Headquarters with us but she was unable to be present. Miss Dines gave a summary of the talk she heard Miss Fox give in Chicago, narrating the preparations and the very thrilling way in which the Red Cross functioned in Florida. We were most fortunate in having with us Miss Phelan, who had just returned from the disaster area. Some side lights of the Porto Rican disaster and the work being done by the nurses, were given, gleaned from the letters received from the nurses, who were still in Porto Rico.

It was a very short meeting as the afternoon session was one which many of the nurses wished to attend, but all voted the luncheon a great success.

FLORENCE JOHNSON.

BACKWARD AND FORWARD

Looking back on the many perplexing problems—serious and important problems—which, during the current year confronted our Alumnae Association, requiring solution, and looking forward to the even more important ones, far-reaching and varied, which will confront us during the next few years, one should be constrained to pause and ask:—what does it all mean and whether each of us is doing her part towards upholding the enviable reputation which our Alumnae Association has always held in the nursing world and which you will admit may be easily tarnished and lost entirely by indifference or tactless procedure.

It is so easy to say "let George do it" and equally easy to sit back comfortably and "let George do it" while we criticise unjustly, without contributing a suggestion as to how to solve it. Is this fair?

While looking backward, those who have followed closely the work of the Board of Directors, under the able management of Miss Mary Beard, will agree that, while there were discouraging moments, each and every problem was met with dignity and fairness, having in mind THE GOOD OF THE WHOLE, when making a decision.

Looking Forward

With the new Medical Center, now an assured fact, will come matters of vital importance to both student and graduate

nurses, in the solving of which our Alumnae Association will be called upon to represent us officially.

At the Alumnae meeting, December 13th, an official request was presented by Dr. G. Canby Robinson, who is the Director of the Joint Administrative Board of the New York Hospital—Cornell Medical College Association, asking that a committee of three nurses, members of our Alumnae, including our present President, Miss Mary Beard, be appointed to confer with the Administrative Board on questions pertaining to nursing problems at the new Center. This is a fine compliment and a great step forward, for the nurses, who, heretofore have not been asked in conference on matters of vital importance to them and their profession.

Another subject of great concern to our Alumnae, is a FUTURE PERMANENT CLUB HOUSE in closer proximity to the New Center. In this connection, correspondence has been going on, though very slowly, with Mr. Edward Sheldon, President of the Board of Governors, and other members of that Body, during the past year, and we are now glad to report encouraging progress, to the point of an interview with Mr. Sheldon and Mr. Cornelius Bliss on December 17th to discuss this future need.

With the Nursing Department of the New York Hospital and the Graduate Nurses so interdependent, the opening of the New Medical Center will probably bring many changes in the Department of Nursing and it should be a comforting thought that, through official channels, our Alumnae has been recognized and will be consulted on subject of import to them.

This recognition in conference raises a question in all our minds: Shall the New York Hospital Alumnae prove equal to contributing towards the solution of bettering the nursing conditions of both the Student and the Graduate Nurse through whole-hearted, efficient co-operation? With Miss Beard, Chairman of this Committee, with power to choose her associates, we feel sure of good results.

We trust those of our number who live outside the Club and who have not attended Alumnae meetings regularly, will realize the bigness of our problems and aim to contribute moral support, at least, by their presence on the second Thursday of each month.

While the Club is an important activity of the Alumnae, there are other activities to carry on and the hands of those whom we elect should be upheld a little more generously and firmly by many of our number, who JUST PAY DUES.

The Alumnae is here to serve you, if you need it, and the Alumnae needs you to help meet our coming responsibilities. First, we should vote, intelligently, then attend the meetings and assist by supporting the Board of Directors, who try to serve your Association, creditably and efficiently.

A CHARTER MEMBER.

WHO'S WHO COLUMN

The retirement of Miss Walton from the Out Patients' Department after twenty-six years of service, was a great surprise to the whole family at the dear old New York Hospital and an even greater one to all the friends of the family and of Miss Walton. Although, we had many intimations that this might happen at some time, figuratively speaking, we continued to live fearlessly and calmly on the very brink of a seething volcano, not appreciating the horror and danger of it



ISABELLE JEAN WALTON

all until the eruption descended upon us covering us with confusion and sorrow.

Born in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, Miss Walton always lived there and was educated in the cultural fashion of an older day in private schools and received her professional training at the New York Hospital.

After her graduation in 1895, she received the appointment of Chief Nurse on the Floating Hospital in New York harbor and held this position for three years. Following this she joined the U. S. Army, acting as Chief Nurse during the Spanish American War at Fort Hamilton and on Governor's Island until 1901. She then served for a short time as instructor at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C. In 1902, Miss Walton accepted the offer to organize the new Out Patient's Department at New York Hospital. Her service there of twenty-six years

brought forth a harvest rich and full. The many seeds of kindness and helpful advice were returned four-fold.

Miss Walton's wide experience and keen sense of humor furnished her with a large supply of interesting tales which were always related in a subtle manner to illustrate the sound principles of good nursing. Her work and her personality were difficult to separate as the former was especially successful owing to her interest and cheer and the comforting good-will which her presence seemed to radiate. She gave more than she received, always ready to smile, to lend a helping hand or to give a word of needed encouragement. She was always an inspiration to us all to carry on.

Miss Walton has returned to Toronto to make her home with her sisters. However, we are anticipating her presence at graduation in March, 1929.

REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE PRIVATE DUTY NURSING

The meeting of the Private Duty Nurses at the State Convention was well attended. In fact, the small room in which it was held was overcrowded.

One subject discussed was the relation of the private duty nurse to her Alumnae Association. Several of the private duty nurses present were Presidents of their own Associations and expressed their opinion, that in many instances, a nurse could arrange with the patient to attend the monthly alumnae meetings, and thereby have a vote on possible questions of importance. It was also maintained that her work need not necessarily prevent the private duty nurse from holding office.

Miss McMillan of St. Luke's Hospital, spoke on the Webb-Lattin Bill. It was quite evident that very little was known about it by the nurses from other parts of the State.

ALICE H. RICHARDSON.

PERSONALS

A surprise party and miscellaneous shower was given for Miss Minnie Taylor at the Club House, by her many friends and classmates on the evening of October first. There were twenty-eight guests present. The gifts were arranged around a Bride Jack Horner Pie which contained favors for the guests. After the gifts were displayed and there was a beautiful variety, a delicious supper was served.

Miss Olson has left the Club and has taken an apartment at the Allerton House.

A beautiful Radiola set has been presented to the Club by one who has been a friend to the nurses. It will be greatly appreciated and enjoyed by the club members.

Miss Huldah Loomis returned to the club in November, after an all summer's stay on her farm at Talcottville, N. Y.

Miss Verna Smith and Miss Curly have taken an apartment at 43-23 41st St., Long Island City, N. Y.

Miss Shultis spent four weeks in October and part of November in Bermuda.

Mrs. Castellain, nee Mary Rutland, is doing hourly nursing in Lawrence, L. I.

Miss Nina Sinnott is in California for a short stay and writes that she has seen Mrs. Birnie, nee Mary Simpson, Mrs. Heddens, nee Lucille Lucas, and Vera Playter.

Miss Carston is spending two weeks of the Christmas holidays at her home at Syracuse, N. Y.

Miss Helena Stewart, formerly of the School of Nursing at Yale University is now Educational Director of the Social Service at Bellevue Dispensary.

Miss A. E. Earle, sailed on the Siscola on November 7th, for a year's holiday. She will spend most of her time with her sister, Mrs. Maitland in Jamaica B. W. I. and also with Mrs. Cyrrans in the Canal Zone.

Miss Cecil Morrison went up to Toronto for a two weeks stay in October.

Our sympathy to Miss Mabel McClay upon the loss of her brother in October.

Miss Gouinlock and Miss Amy Wright returned late in October after their pleasant summer's sojourn in Canada.

Miss Hazel Emmett has taken a position as Chief Nurse of the Operating Rooms at the Fifth Avenue Hospital the first of November.

Mrs. Oscar Davis, nee Bertha Webster, class of '06, spent two weeks at the new Lincoln Hotel, shopping, theatres, etc.

Mrs. J. Tripp, nee Miss Riddell and her cousin visited the Club in November.

Miss Duncan still has a few photographs of Miss Sutcliffe for those who would still desire them.

Miss Edla Malmgren has returned from the west and is at present staying with her mother here in the city.

Miss M. J. McCabe has returned from her summer's vacation in the northwest Canada and will soon join her friends at the Club.

Mr. Ernest P. Ipsen, the portrait artist who painted Miss Sutcliffe's portrait, held a private exhibition at his Studio for his Artist friends and patrons whose portraits he had painted. Miss Sutcliffe and Miss Sutcliffe's Portrait Committee also received invitations. Miss Sutcliffe's portrait was greatly admired and pronounced by many of Mr. Ipsen's friends as the best portrait on exhibition.

Miss Strombonn left the Club early in November for her home in Nassau.

Miss Bethel Bane is living at home in California for an indefinite time.

The sympathy of the Alumnae Association is with Miss Lydia Anderson in the recent death of her brother, the Rev. Thomas Davis Anderson of Providence, R. I.

Dr. Anderson was a distinguished clergyman of the Baptist Church, noted also as educator and writer. Fellow of Brown University since 1890 and Secretary of the University Corporation for 34 years. Dr. Anderson will be widely missed.

Mrs. Robert Thomson, nee A. M. Brodie, with her husband and her three children is now living in London, England.

Miss Mary O'Brien, Class '27, has accepted a position at the Cheney Memorial Hospital, South Manchester, Conn.

Miss F. E. Nelson has taken up hourly nursing in New York City.

HOSPITAL NEWS

The New York Hospital gave an informal reception in honor of Miss Isabelle Jean Walton in the Nurses' Reception Room, on November 14, 1928. It was said that never before had such a congenial and happy group assembled, but, the charm of this party was its formality and the fact that every one present loved to be there and shake hands with and wish Godspeed to their most helpful adviser and beloved friend. Miss Walton looking very fascinating in her simple gown of black velvet, was supported by a receiving line that was an informal and irregular as the party itself, its members being hailed at frequent intervals from the four corners of the room. The Hospital was represented by Dr. Howell, the Training School by Miss Jordan, the Alumnae Association by its president, Miss Beard, the Social Service by Miss Josephi with Miss Ellison of Campbell Cottages and Miss Hearn of Bloomingdale Hospital presiding graciously at the tea table. The majority of the classes were represented from the year 1878 down to the probationers. The Medical Board turned out in full, showing their sincere appreciation of Miss Walton's service by delivering addresses of warmest affection. Handsome gifts of silver and gold were presented by the nurses and doctors and the whole Reception Room was a bower of flowers, gifts from her friends.

Our only regret was that owing to illness in her family, Miss Sutcliffe was unable to be present but sent affectionate greetings by telegram. The assembly dispersed with peculiar feelings of mingled sorrow and joy but with a supreme satisfaction that the afternoon had been happily spent.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Bassett of the Class '28 has taken the position as Night Supervisor.

Mrs. Isom resigned her position as Charge Nurse of the 7th and 8th floors of the P. P. B. and Miss Mullins, Class '28 has taken the position.

Mrs. Mays, nee Florence Murphy, has taken charge of the 5th and 6th floors, P. P. B., upon Miss O'Brien's resignation.

Miss Mabel O'Brien has returned to private duty.

Miss Ruth Birdsall and Miss Dakin, both have recently been patients at the hospital.

The Rockefeller Foundation offered a number of Fellowships to Nurses connected with the work in Training Schools, which meant three months observation work in various hospitals. The New York Hospital was asked to propose a nurse for one of these Fellowships. Miss Sarah E. Moore was proposed and received the Fellowship. Miss Moore, leaves the first of February and goes to the Yale Medical School for six weeks. Our congratulations and best wishes to Miss Moore.

MARRIAGES

Miss Minnie E. Taylor, Class '18 to Mr. Alfred W. Naumann, on October 3rd, 1928, at New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Naumann are residing at 3212 Decatur Ave., New York City.

Miss Minnie E. Moore, Class '18, to Mr. Arthur W. Hutchinson, on November 21st, 1928, at Los Angeles, California.

Miss Mary Louise Doring, Class '25, to Mr. George F. Baker, Jr., of Chicago, on November 23rd, 1928, at New York

Mr. and Mrs. Baker will live in Evanston, Illinois, on their return from their wedding trip to Bermuda.

Miss Christinia J. Dann, Class '21, to Dr. John Alison, Jr., on November 17th, 1928, at Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. and Mrs. Alison will reside at 2309 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Mrs. Charlotte C. Hotchkiss, Class '12, to Mr. Charles R. Brothwell, on November 23rd, 1928, at New York City.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Ennis, a daughter, on September 4th, 1928. Mrs. Ennis was Harriet Awry, Class '24.

To Dr. and Mrs. Nelson W. Cornell, a son, Charles Hall, on November 21st, 1928, at the Lying-in-Hospital, New York City. Mrs. Cornell was Natalie Hall, Class '21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schmidt, a daughter, Nancy, on October 17th, 1928. Mrs. Schmidt was Ruey Jones, Class '25.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bell, a daughter, on December 4, 1928, at 6031A Westminister Pl., St. Louis, Mo. Mrs. Bell was Gladys Frazer.

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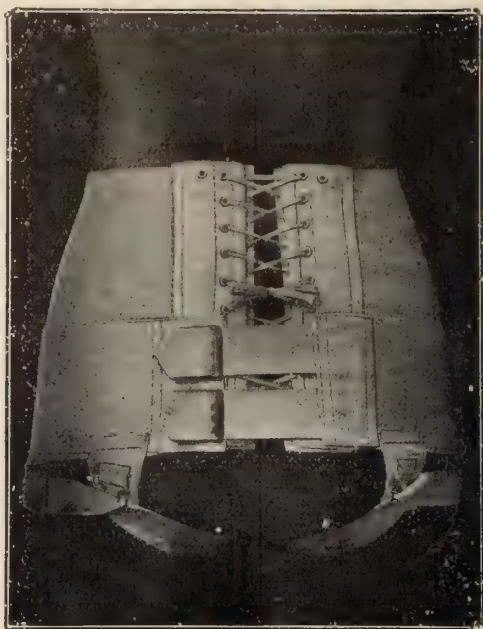
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